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ファビアンを撃ち、消息を消す為に日本へ来た事を西門達に打ち明けたミカエル。その話を聞き一行は、2人のわだかまりを話し合いて解決する事を決める。そしてファビアン探索に乗り出した西門は、彼が占い師をしている事を突き止めミカエル達とファビアンの方へ向うが…!?

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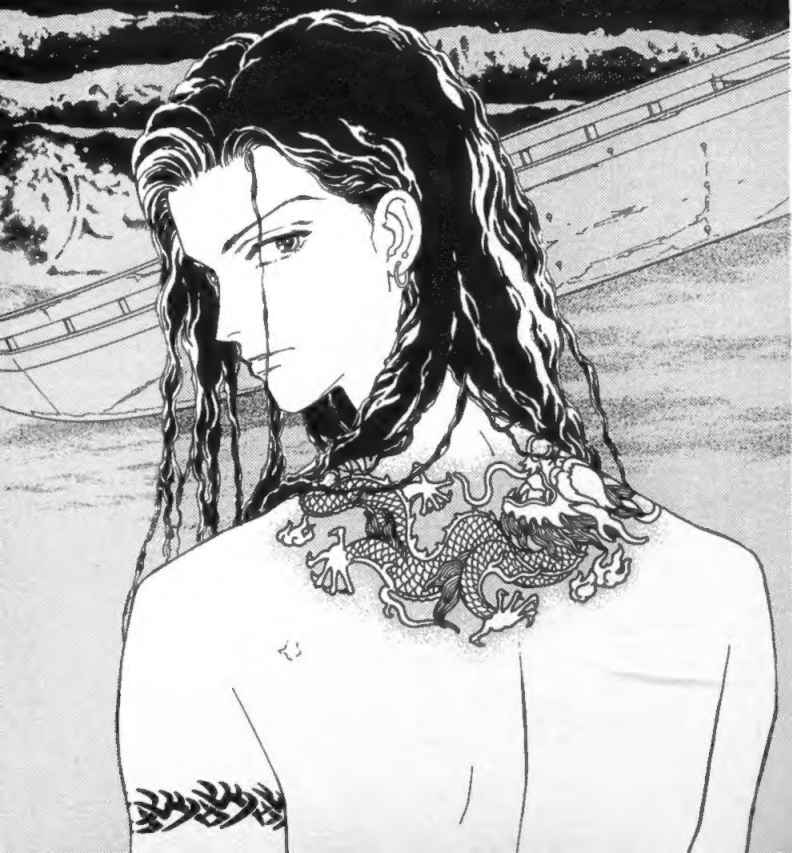
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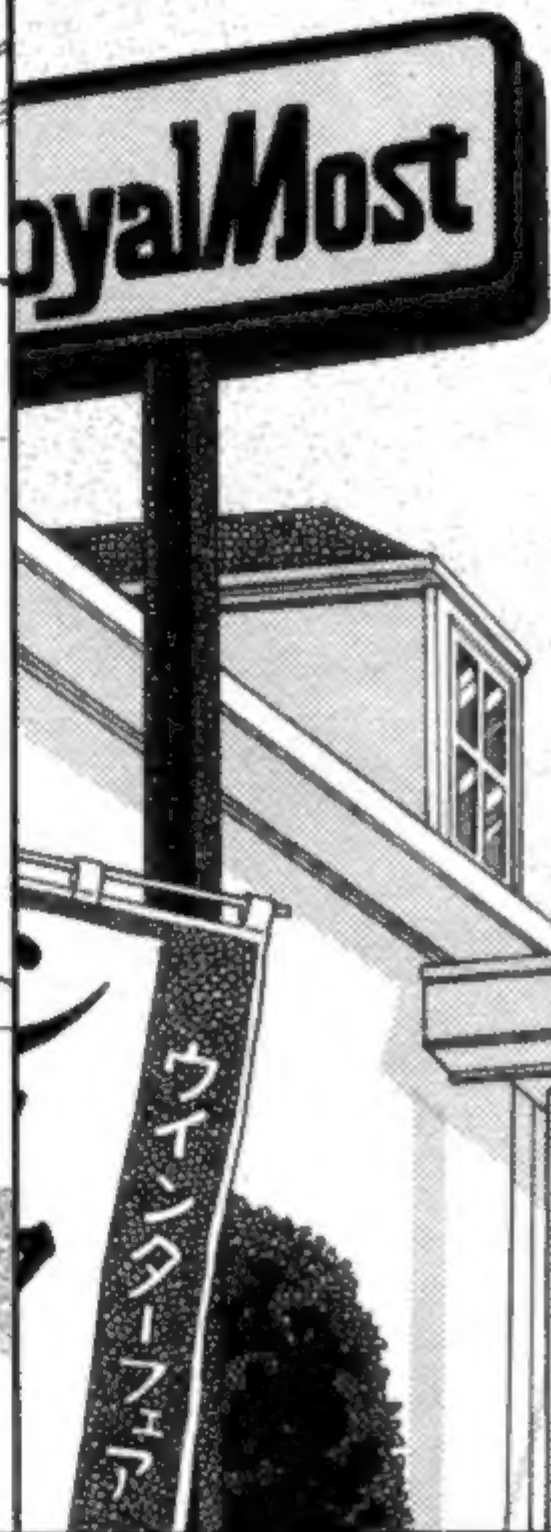
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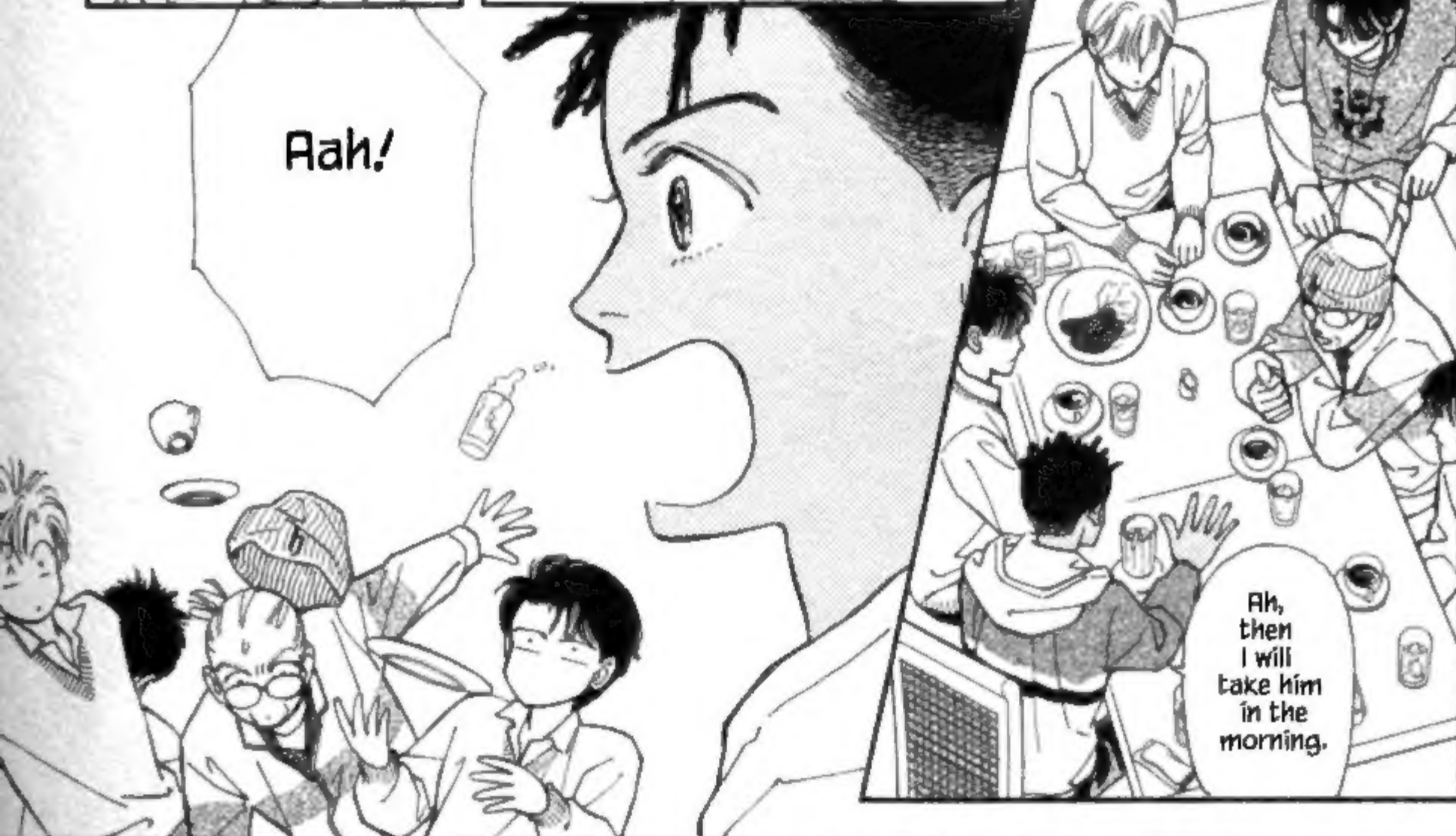
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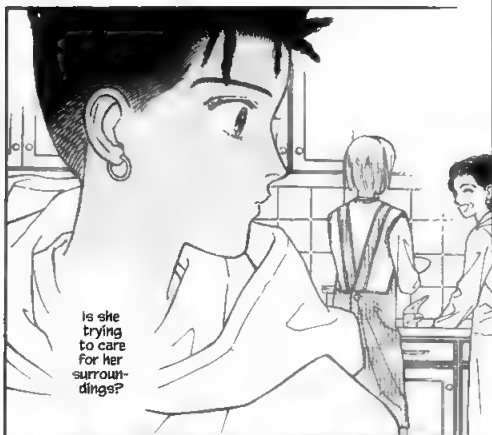












Is she
trying
to care
for her
surround-
ings?

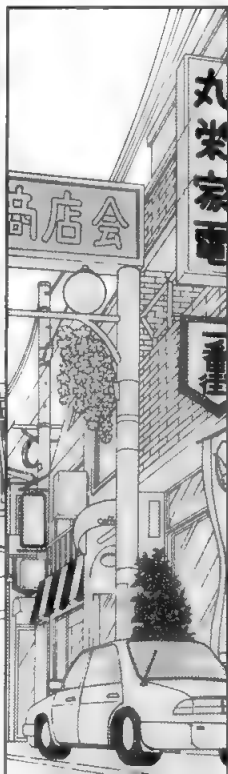
But her
mood is
much
changed
from
the time
when she
first came.



Cell-phone
...



Ah...





Clack

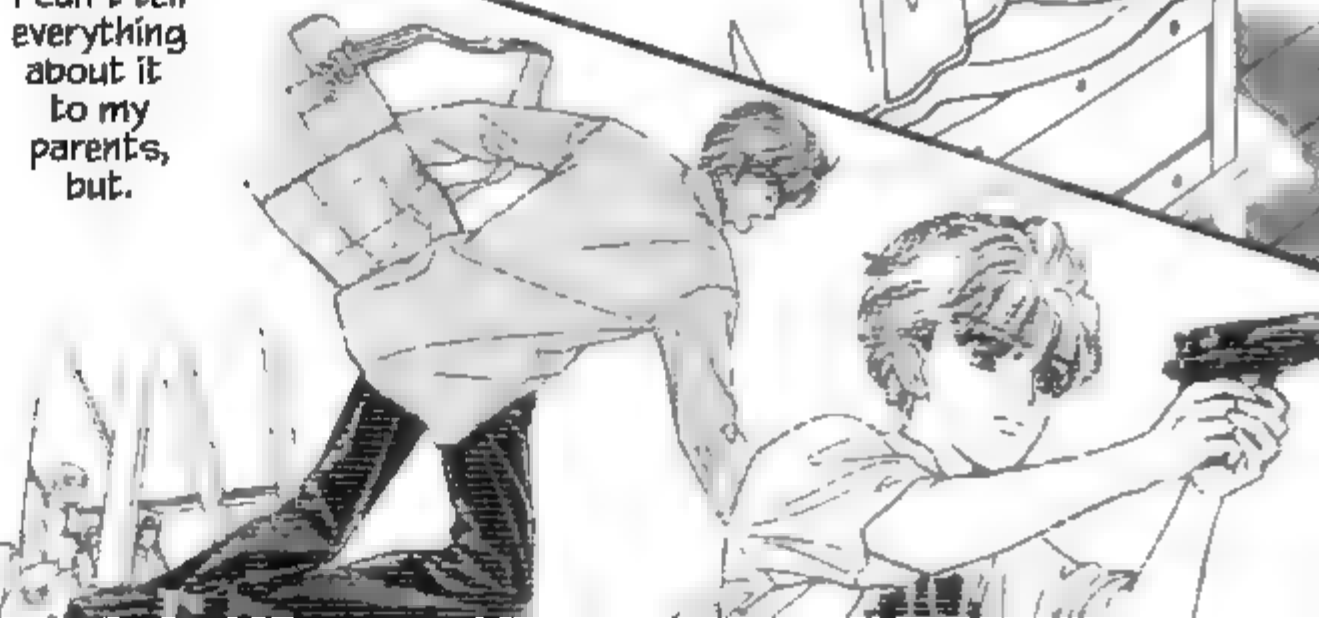


Close

He has
a problem?
Who doesn't
have a problem?



I can't tell
everything
about it
to my
parents,
but.



Sfx: Open



Sfx:
Click



'Is there
some
problem
with
him?'

Close

I am
home.





Then
you
should
have
said
that...



It was
because
Simon
and his
grandfather
came.



I
cooked
lunch.

Why
did
you go
out-
side?



You
have a
hole in
your
pants.

Drop



Did you
wear pale
grey
underwear
today?

Mi-
chael.

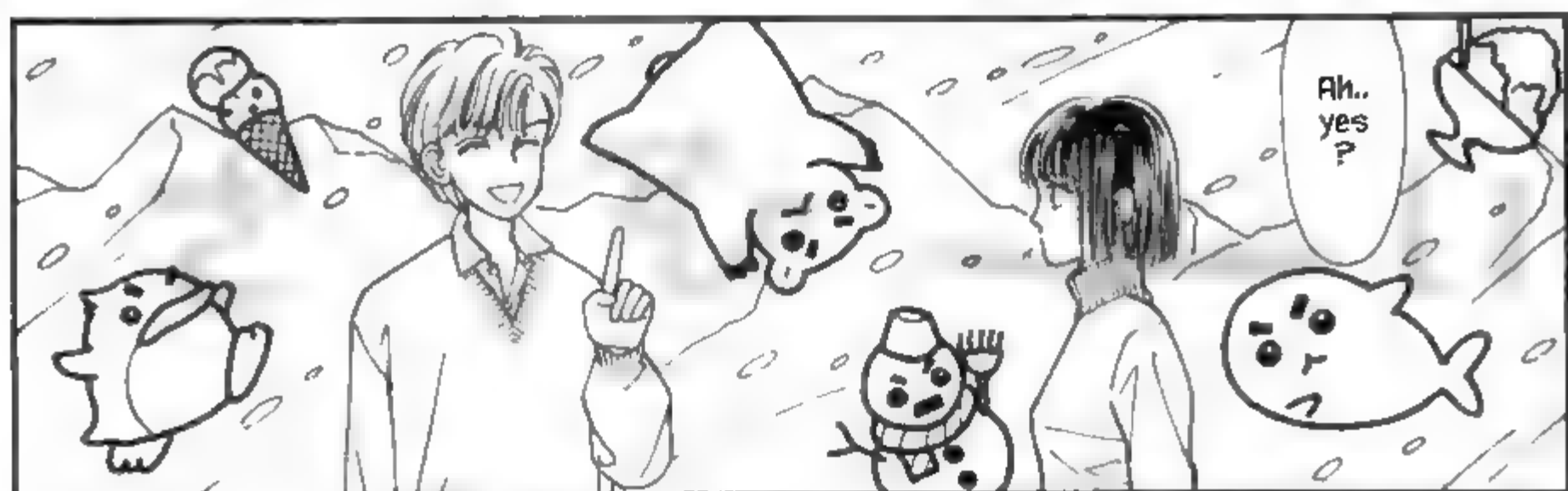


Ah...

It is
a little
to the side,
and you
have some
dirt there
too.

Ugh

Where?
Behind?



If I say it..

I don't think
I can fight or
joke around with
her anymore.



I can't say
something
like this.

I don't want
her to worry.



To find him... to
face him head-on.

It is the
first
time after
that.



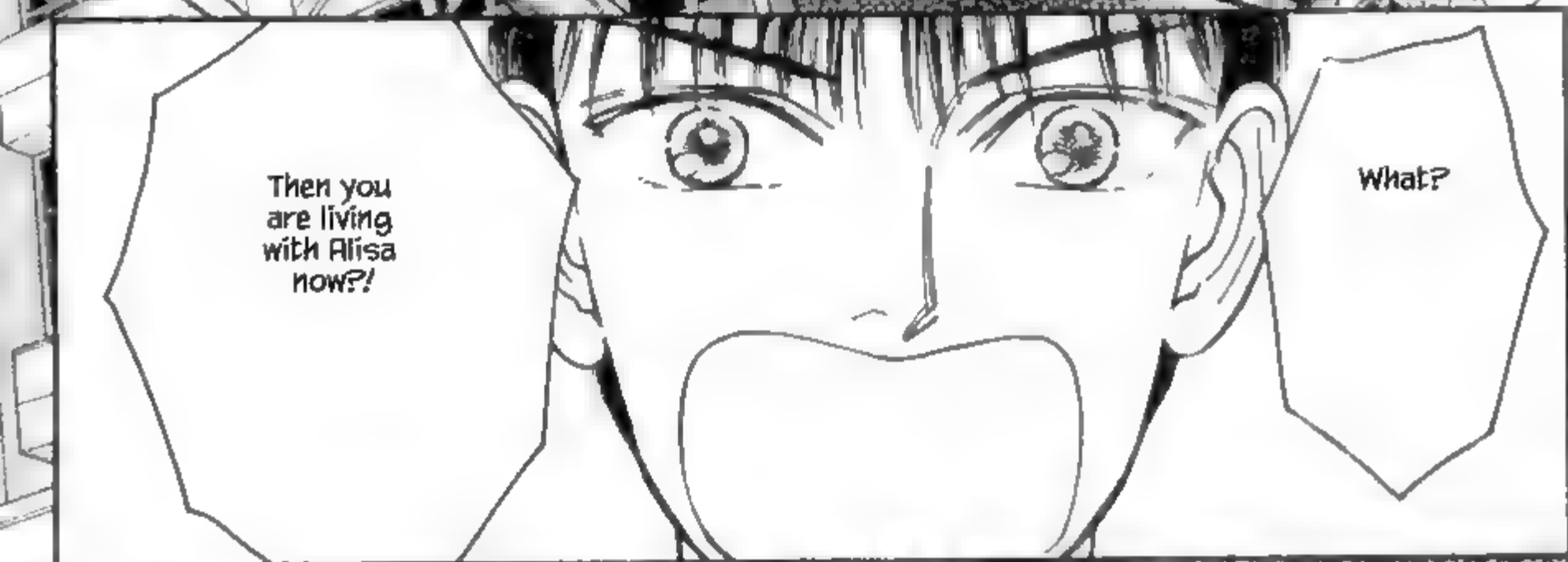
Fabian...

Why did
he talk to
me in the
first place?



All this
time.

I feel like
I showed
him my
back.



Then you
are living
with Alisa
now?!

What?



They are helping a child as an adult.

It is not acceptable.



What?



I can understand.

Indio has something called Aihad.



Doumoto, your voice is too loud!

Hush!

Does that mean that your parents are accepting her to be your girlfriend?!

Ah, I am sorry.

But ...



Huh? Then ...?

They strictly told me to not do bad things to her.



Stop it, you guys!

That is Die hard!

It is a Bruce Willis movie.

That is a pop-sicle.

Aah~ Candy bar a long time ago?

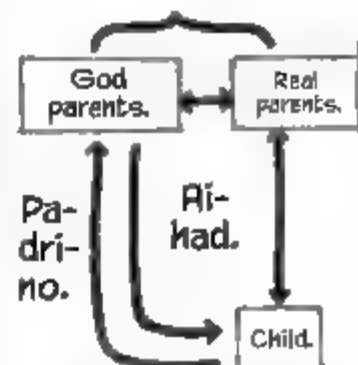
Osawa feels awkward.



It is
like my
father and
me too.

So I came
to be
adopted by
them
without
much
resistance.

This relationship
is Compadre.



That
is
not
it.

Godparents (Padrino) think
of godchildren (Aihad) as
their real children, and support
them like real parents.

And they
look
after the
childlike
real
parents.

When the
child is
baptized,
there is a
custom
called
godparents
(Padrino)
and
godchildren
(Aihad).



I see
...



You
don't
seem to
hesitate.

Don't you
feel more
natural
when you
talk about
Peru?



Yeah
?

Some-
how.

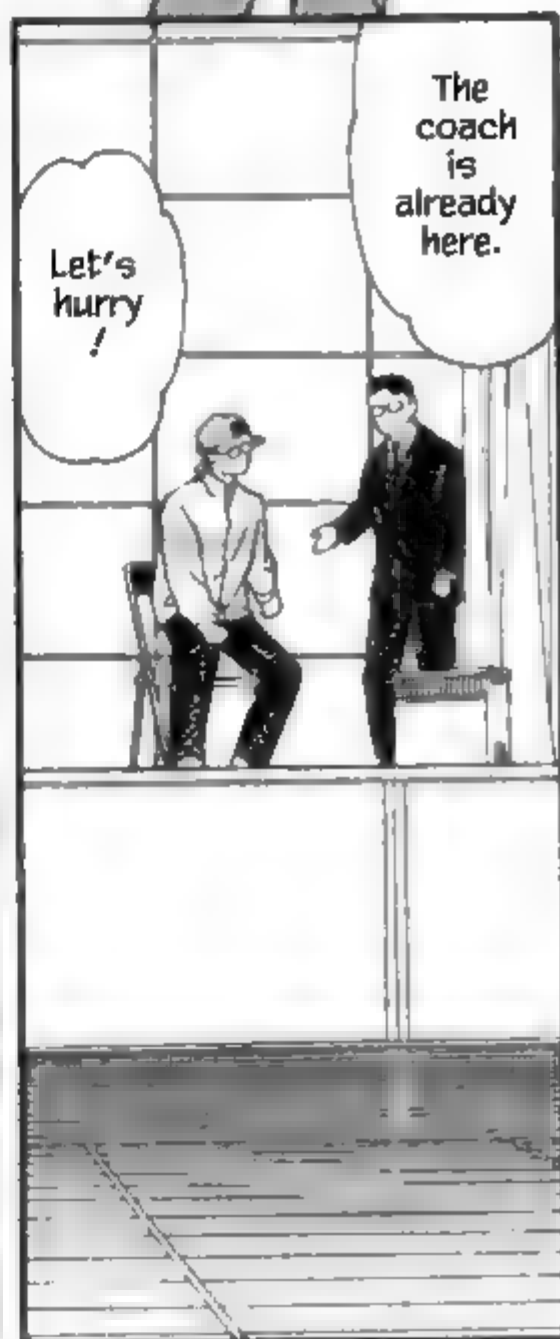
Sanno
maru.



Listening
people
is
Doumoto
" Junior.



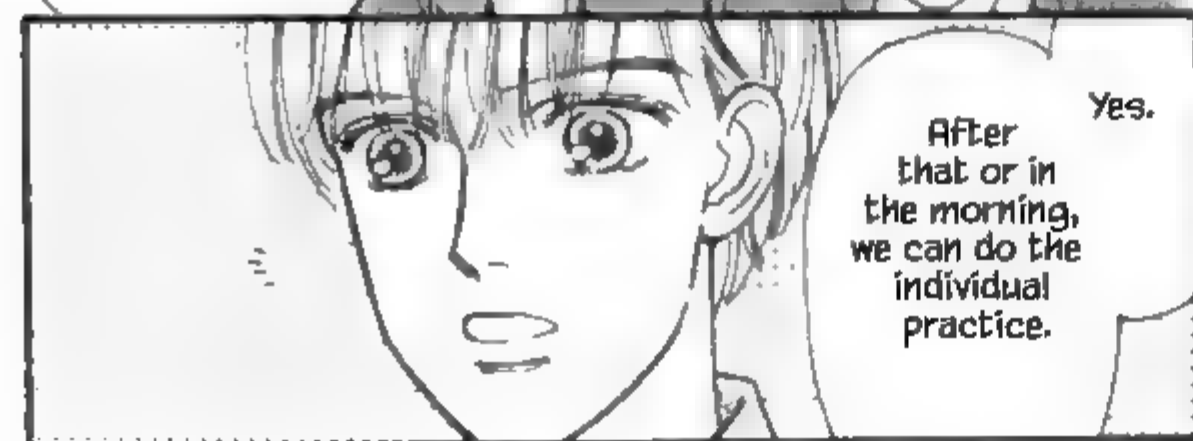
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...

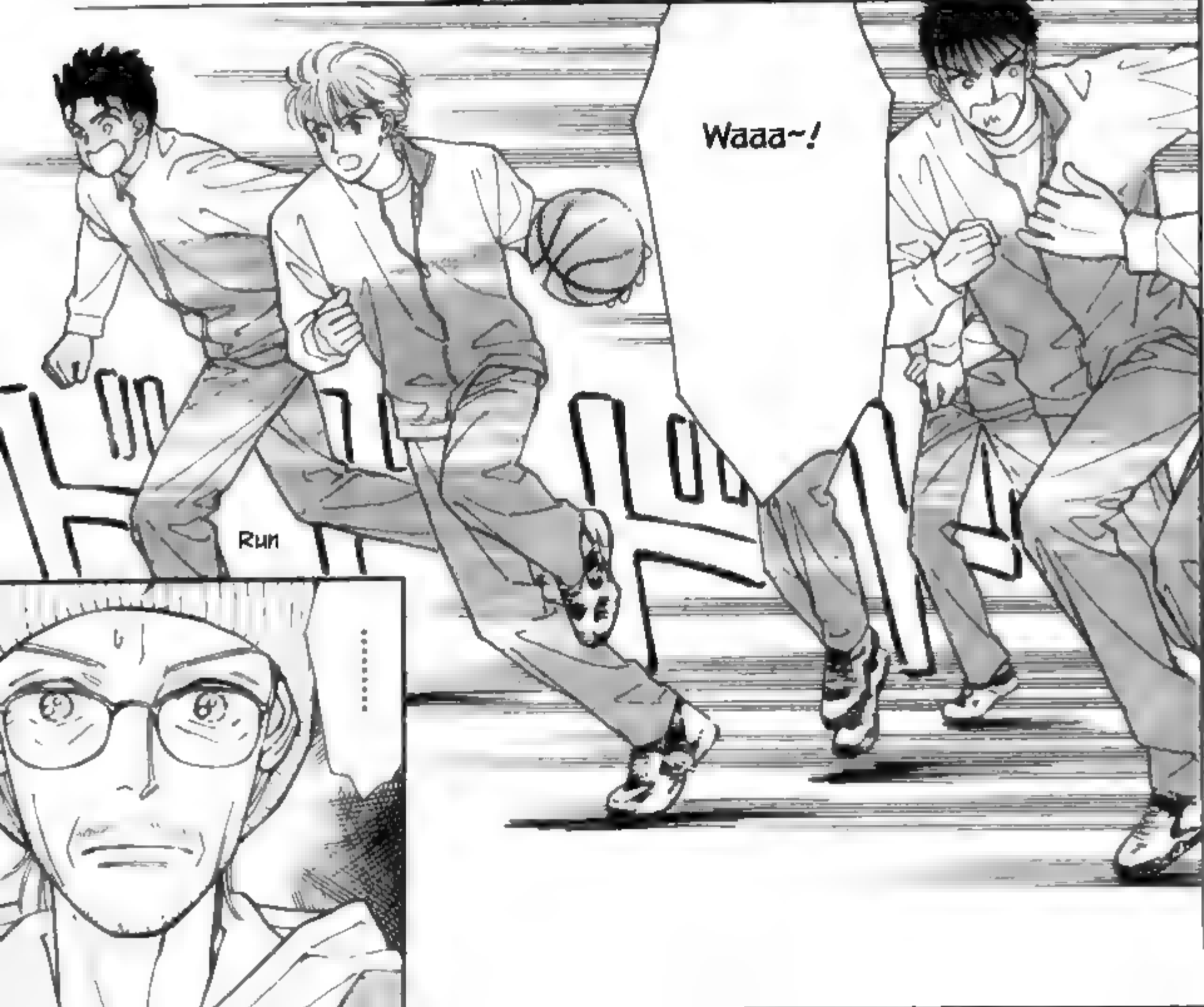




Hello. It has been a long time. I am sorry that so many time passed by after volume 3 was printed. This time I drew a little about the world of foreigners who live in Japan. When the story progresses, a more deep world will show. Recently the easiest thing that I do is going to restaurants of a different nationality. I can see flamenco dancers in a particular restaurant and went to see them in the morning while they are changing the morning dancers and got included singing a welcome song. While many Spanish words were flying around, the meal I ate felt special. There is a lot of foreigners in the harbor and Shinjuku. My home (Aomori) has an American army base as well, so when there is Reggae live, a lot of them came. Like in the story, there are villages where the foreigners registering as citizens take up some % of the population. I think this is not a world made up of citizenship register anymore. When I go to a place like that, I see Inca coke in the vending machines. (In Peru, this coke is more popular than regular coke). The club-like Latin night in the story exists.









They studied.



Yes!





The guy
just
made
a shot?

Then
you
are?!

You
over
there.

You know
what to do.

U-
~



Yes!

I was not
tense. I am
sorry.



Now,
then
do it
one
more
time!



The old man
is an evil
coach!

Move



Bang





A genius!

天才

The old man is,
great at
handling
people!

As I
thought
it

I am a
genius
too.

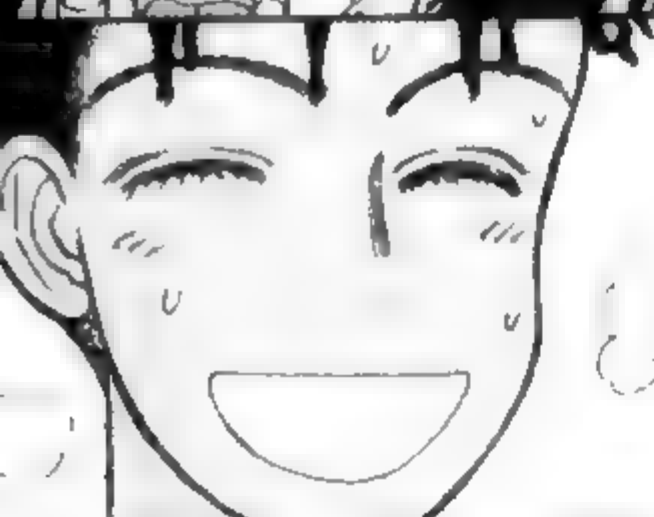
You
are a
genius!

Your
judgment
just now
was very
good!

You
did
well!

Yah~

Even if he
scolded me
a lot, I feel
refreshed!



I was playing
in whatever
way.

I thought
that
he was
sharp.



Really
?

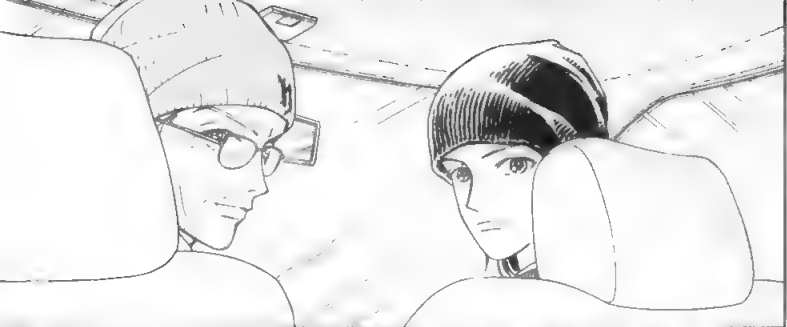
Really!

Do you
mean
it?

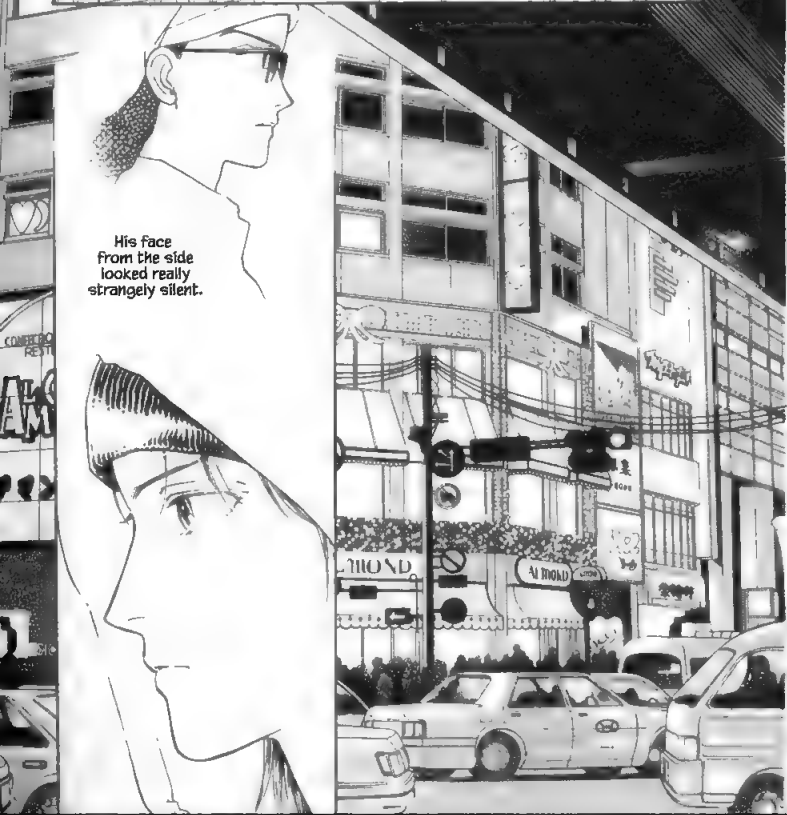








His face
from the side
looked really
strangely silent.

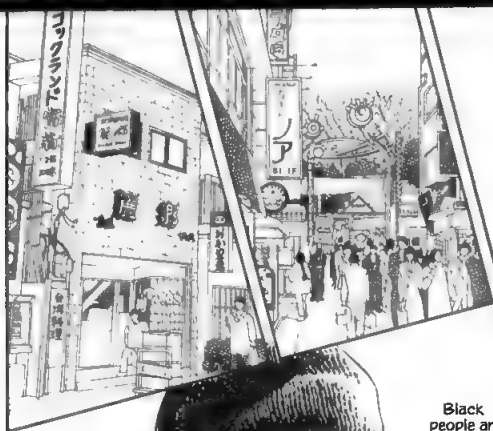




That
man...

Where
is he
...?





I think if I go
to Futsusa,
there will only
be Americans...

Black
people are
in Shinjuku
and a
lot of Korean
people
are in Shin
ookubo.



Go to
Ooi-zumi
town.

If you
are
looking
for
someone
from
South
America.

Ooi-
zumi
town?
?





Gurima.
Ootsumi.



Middle
of his
back
?!

It
reaches
the
middle
of his
back.

It is
quite
long.



I don't
think
anybody
like
that is
working
near
here.



A
Peruvian
with long
hair?
A man?

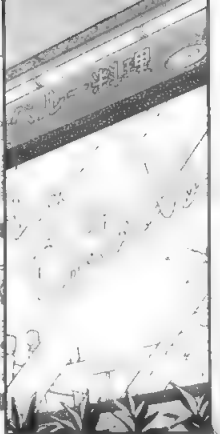
How
long is
his
hair?



Wow~
Peru
cooking
!

Me
too.

I didn't
know that
such a
restaurant
is near
here.



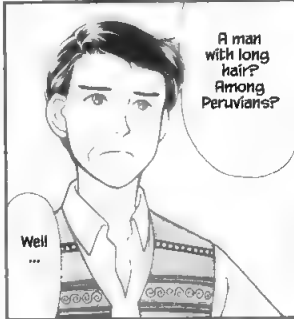
There is
a lot of
special job
in the city,
so why don't
you look
for him in
the city?

You
can
go to
this
place.



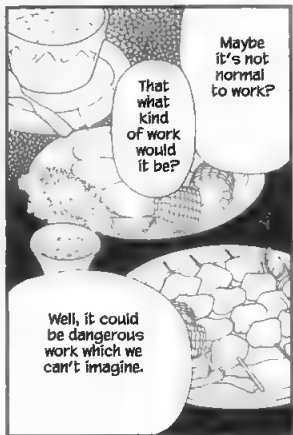
Do you
have any
photos or
pictures?

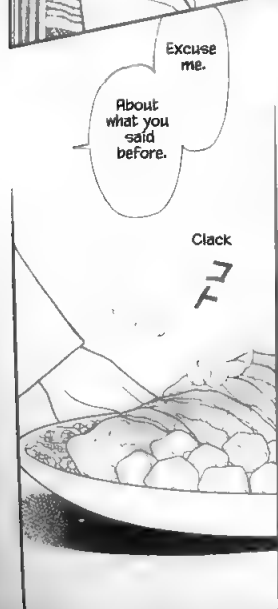
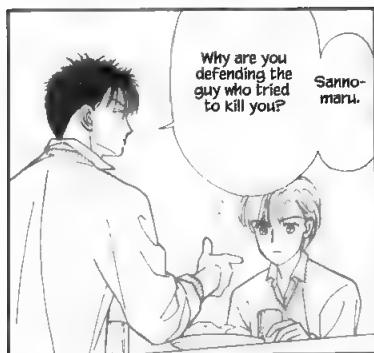
Ah,
that
is...



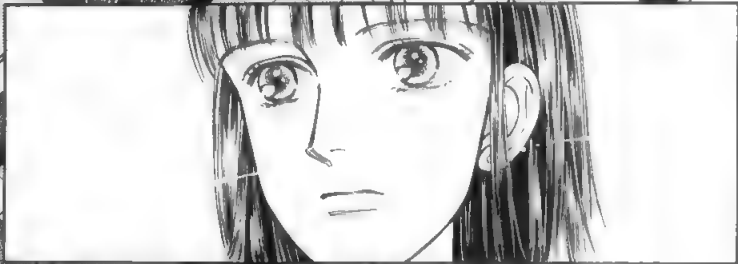
A man
with long
hair?
Among
Peruvians?

Well
...



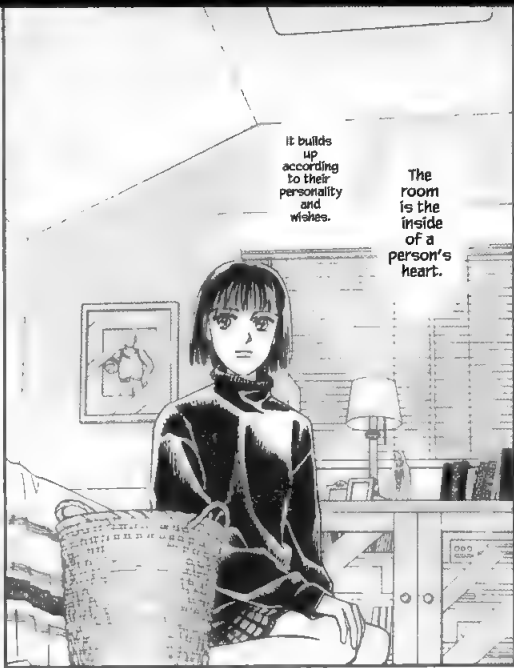








Is there
me inside
Michael's
heart...



It builds
up
according to
their
personality
and
wishes.

The
room
is the
inside
of a
person's
heart.



That
is,
My
sweater.



I
can't
wear
it?



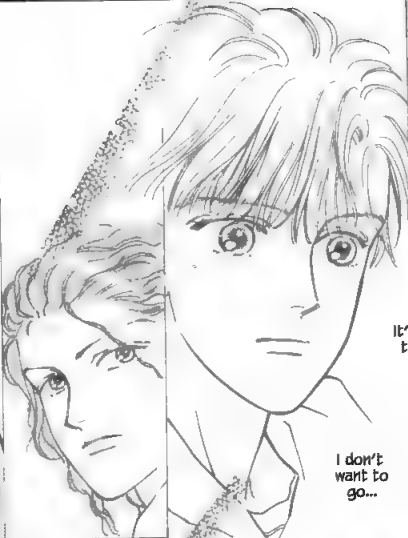
What
are
you
doing,
Riko?

Ah,
wei-
come.

I was
going
to take
the
laundry.

Yeah.





It's not
that...

I don't
want to
go...



Riko
still don't
have a
boyfriend.

I cancel the
word that
he is cute!



I don't
know!

Crack
Crunchy

What
about
Michael?
Is he
in the
bath?



Ah-
that
gunfire
was
this.

Rop-
pongi?
That's
near
here.



There has
been a
fight
between the
violent gang
member and
the policeman
...



Today at
dawn, the gun
has been fired
8 times in
Shibuya and
Roppongi
of Tokyo.
2 people have
been arrested.

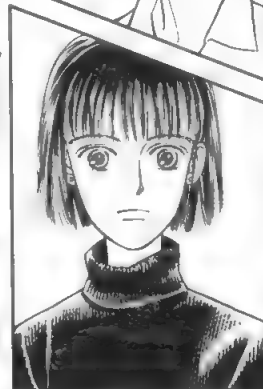


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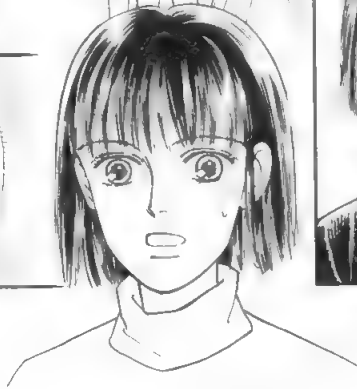


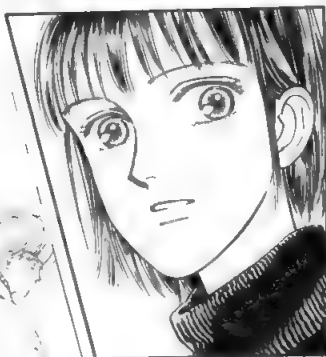
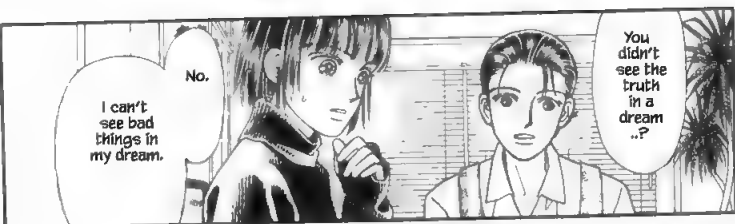
Riko,
did you
hear
it?!

What
?



But
what
happened
...
I feel
like
I knew.



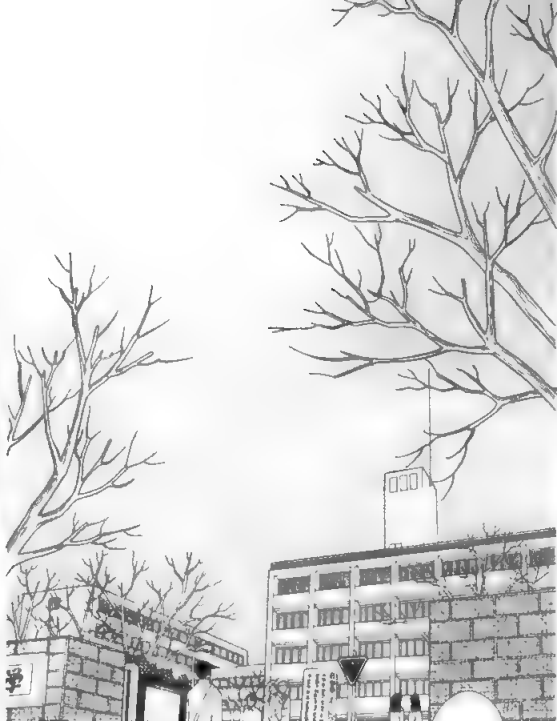
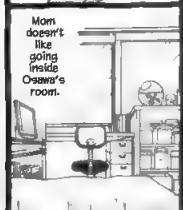


Like a dream which I can't remember.

Maybe I dream about it and then forget

Maybe ...

Even Michael's dreams ...?!





What do you mean?

What?

I don't want to hear that from you.

It is a guy. A guy!

You lost her before you could ask her phone number?

Okay.



Hm~
A Peruvian

Sfx: Clack



I am just looking for someone.

He might be doing model work-



Thank you if you could look into where he is.

I only know that his name is Fabian.



I will look into it.

Any-way.



He is obsessive about hair.

Don't say non-sense.

But why are you looking for him?
Is his hair nice?



He must be wary.

He can't move for some time.



I think it's stolen vehicle.

Look... the car which you asked me before.



It's
flowing
in the
river.





Hey you.



Please
save
that dog.

Ah,
hey
you.



A
dog
...

No, it's
so cold
and he
kept flowing
from over
there.

Hurry-
Hurry.
He is
flowing
away.

Isn't
he
swim-
ming?

Che

Why
me
...?

Splash



Here.

Those
damn
kids
...

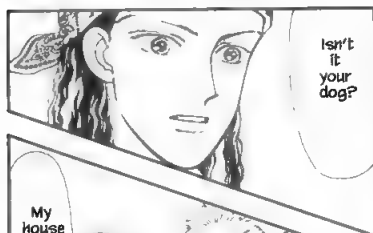
Pant



It hasn't
rained for a
long time.

Huh?
The
river is
shallow.

Re-
ally
...



Isn't
it
your
dog?



My
house
too.

We can't
raise him.
We live
in an
apart-
ment.



Don't
fall into
the river
again.

Thank
god,
that he
was
saved!

Then
good-
bye~



I am
home.

Tremble

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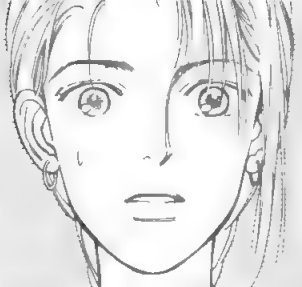
Those
bastards!



Don't you hate live animals?

What happened?

1



What?

He didn't know what she said in Japanese.

Why are you wet? You are not a watery flower...

Come in now. You could get a cold.

Snooze



He kept crying and followed me!

Then why...?



I hate them.

Curt



This
is
our
des-
tiny.

I can't raise
you here, but
I will look for
your owner.



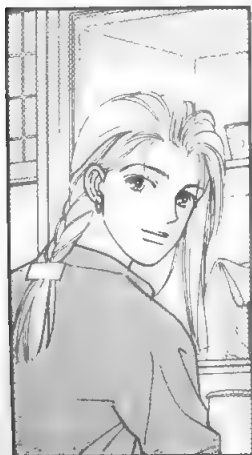
Then
he was
...
like me
before?



He
could
be.



Ah-
I don't
have
milk.



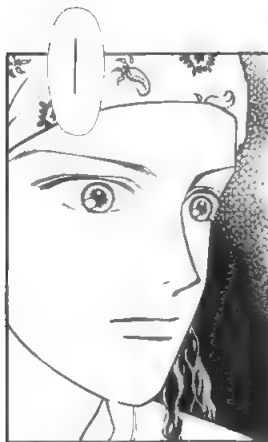
Your
words
are
different
from
other
women.



Hey.

I realized
recently.

Yeah
?





Yes!

Every-
body
should
brace
them-
selves
and do
your
best!

Finally today
we have a
practice
match
after being
guided by
the coach!

I think
I and the
new
members
are
enough.

So we
will
not
have
one
this
year.

There are
only two
months
left
anyway.

Yeah.

Look...
teacher.

What
happened
with the
manager?

The teacher
will do it~?!





This seems like a strange question.

But did you get influenced by me after meeting me?



You are arrogant?

It should be the other way around.

Don't say nonsense.



Yes.

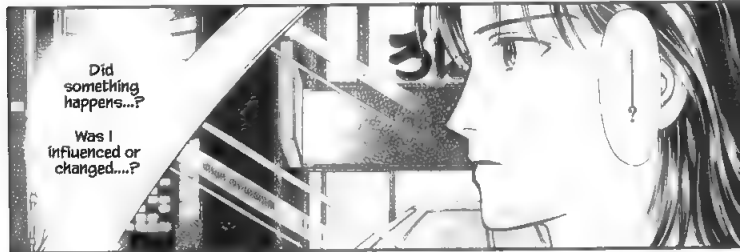
Me?

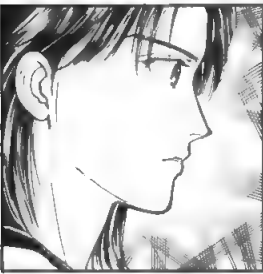


Yes ...

Influenced by you?

The guy who can't learn.





That feeling is...



I played archery for a long time.



Yes?

When did Riko start having the dream which comes true?

Sanno-manu.

Sfx: Ring



Beep

Ah, Koyu.

I am sorry I am going to be late at picking them up.



Does he look like he is a fashion-ista?

I asked around about that man.



No, that is okay.



Hello ?



Fortune
tellers?!



Well...
he is
like
that.

Ah
...
Yeah.



But there is
someone like
him among
fortune-
tellers.

I don't
know
if he is
Peru-
vian.



No
way-!

No,
it makes
much
sense
though.

Would
it be
not
him
...?

Fortune...

The dream comes true.



I see.



Ah...



Probably.

I think
it's
him..!







スズク
Sizzle

Burn
ホ

THEORY

I like
this
best.

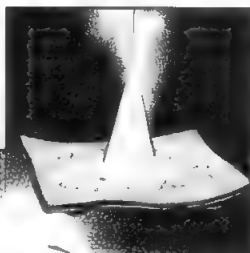
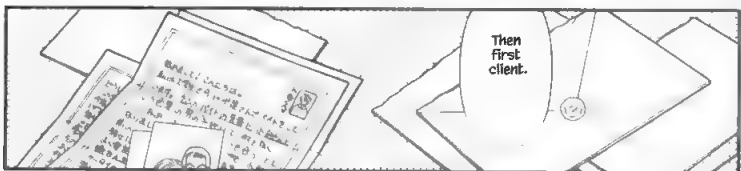
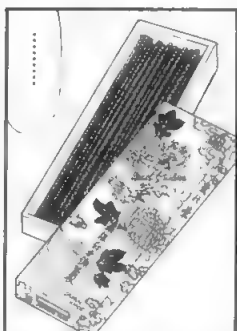
Yeah
... it
is just
okay.


What
about
this
?

How
about
this?

It's
not
bad.

How
is it?
This
scent.





He will
end
up in
a big
fight
around
spring.

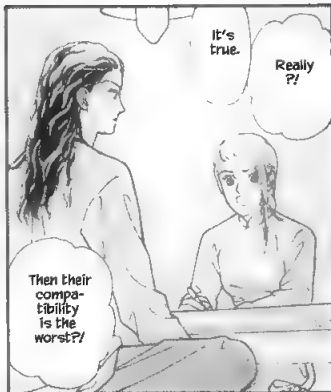
The
man
is,

He does
some
kind of
sports.
His body
is big and
strong.

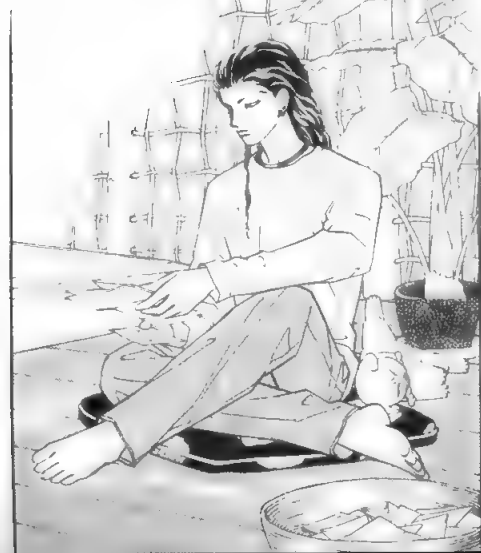
Even if she
can't
understand,
she
should not
reject
him and
settle it
down.

What?

Or she
will get
killed.



Fabian,
is like this.





I was
hiding in the
abandoned
building.

And I could
see my
past and
future
in my
dream for
the first
time.

I had
a fever.

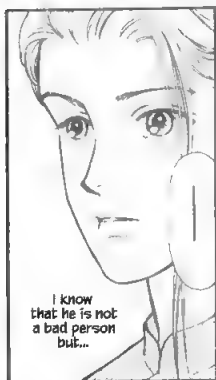
I could smell
this from
the next
house then.

Yeah,
when
you
were
young
?



Why
mosquito
repellent
?

I told
you
that I
fought
big-
time
before.



I know
that he is not
a bad person
but...



Did
you
heal
yourself
alone?

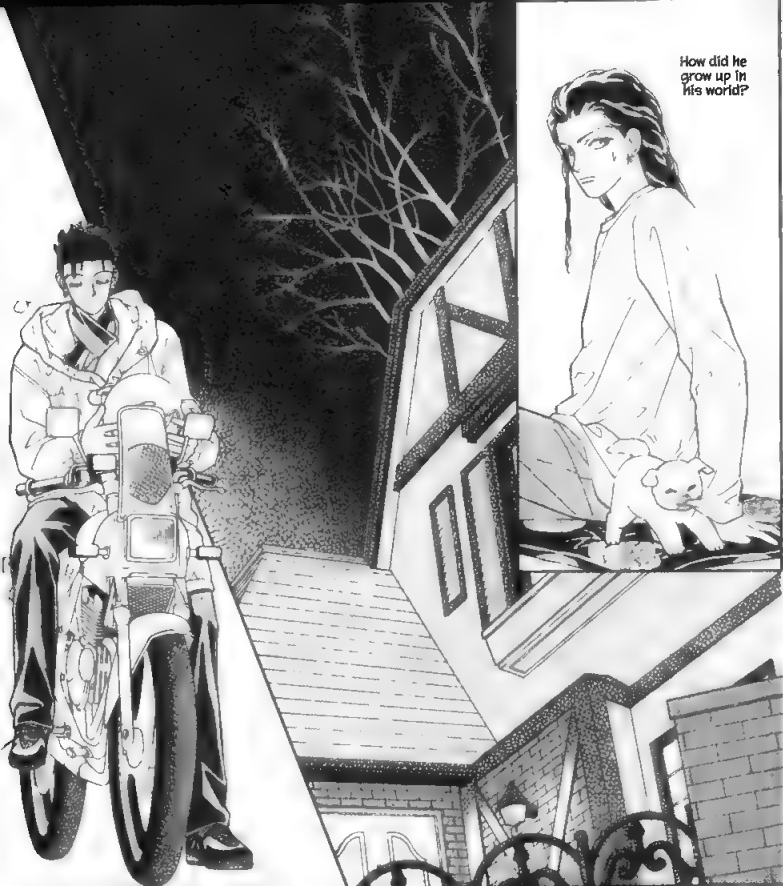
I just
got
better
so that
is why
I am
alive
now.

I didn't
heal it.

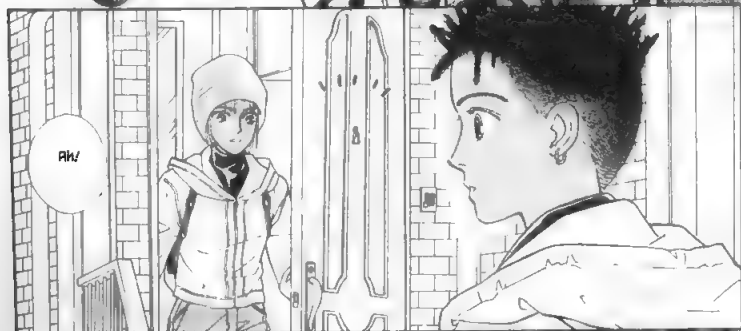


Japanese
people
lived
there.

They
could
have.



How did he
grow up in
his world?



Ah!



I am...
going to talk with
mom.

Hush-

Don't tell
your father
and mother.

What?!

Where
are you
going,
Alisa?



That I
wasn't
treated
as
human.



What?

I realized
after
coming
here.



Until
now
mom.

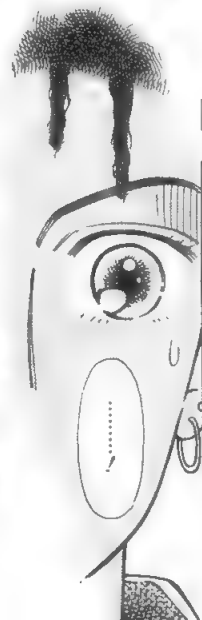
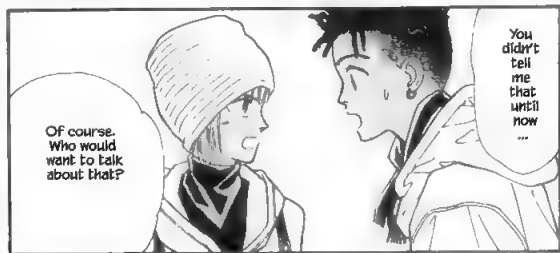
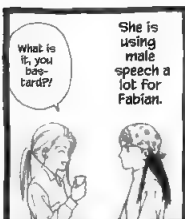
She never
asked me
"What do you
want to do?".



Mom is
perfectly
Japanese.

But
when I am
with mom,
we don't
look
like that.

When I
am with
dad,
we look
like a
father
and
daughter.



*They are using local dialects.





Oh-

This restaurant feels nice.

Yes?

I knew grandfather would like it,



Thank you.

Don't refuse and eat a lot, Sarrimaru.

Woo~ It looks expensive.

I am paying.



He is looking for his contact number.



But ...

What happened with that fortune teller?



Woah~
it moves~



But we
should
look
into it.

I think
it feels
far
fetched.

But
Fabian
is a
fortune
teller?



Yeah
?

When you are
a priest,
you can
try to see
if this year
is going
to be lucky
or not.

Grand-
father.



I don't
know
about
destiny.

Well~

The
life-
span.

I think it is
fixed
somewhat.

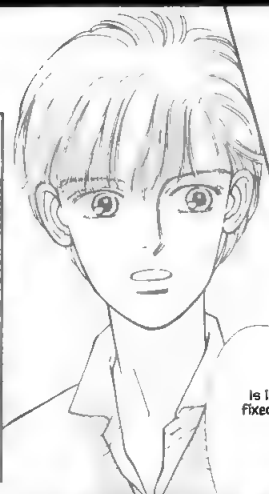


Grand-
father.

Do you
think
destiny
is fixed?



The child
who dies when
he is young has
a fixed lifespan.



Is it
fixed?



That
is...
that
lifespan.



If they
get sick
or old...

Can't
you
make it
longer?




According
to the
judgment
of the last
moment.

It is rare, but
sometimes
you can have a
second chance.

But if
it's a
simple
accident.





But the next priest was someone who was a distant cousin and who was not friendly with the last priest.

When one year is over, the next priest is decided for next year.



So he had to be reborn, I guess.

He was not a priest, but a child possessed by the god.



Sanno-manu.

He was a kid who was around your age.



So he had the destiny of getting killed after one year too.



That was the heavenly command which couldn't be changed then.



But.



Yes?



He didn't die.



Well ... I don't know.

But.

He survived and left the village and went north following the sea.

So from that year, the priest killing was over.

He was abused, but they only pretended to kill him.

After he told the last prophecy.

The next year was the same too.



Why?!

What is the last prophecy?

What was the cause?



People say that is our ancestor.



it is suspicious.

No... it is just a legend and story of a long time ago...

Really ?!



The last prophecy ...

is the homework that our household should solve.



Yes.

So you mean the future is up to each person?





No.

Sanno-
maru.

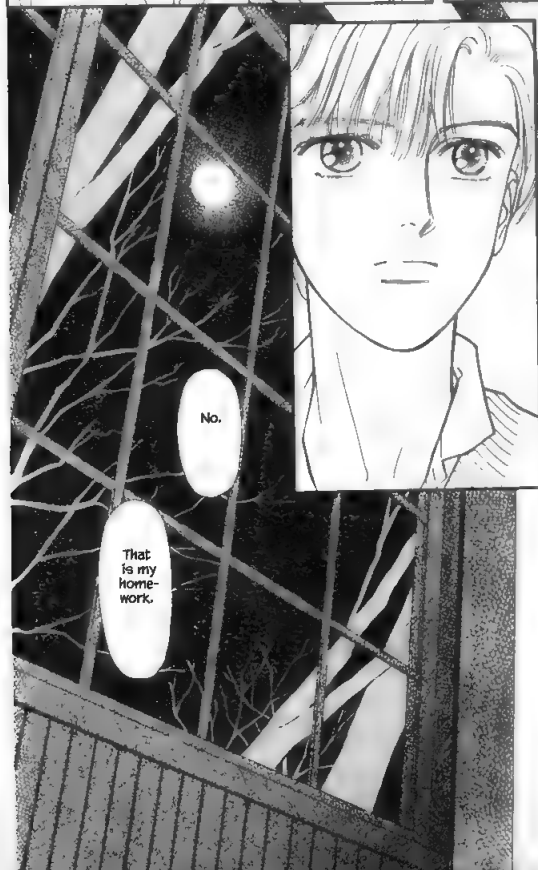
Didn't
you tell
this to
Riko yet?



You
don't
seem
troubled.

A lot.

Shells of
eaten
food.



No.

That
is my
home-
work.



Did
you
think
about
it?

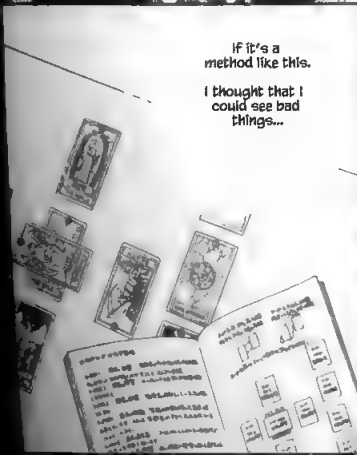
What will
you tell
him when
you meet
him?

The prophecy which changed the heaven's will...

If it's a method like this.
I thought that I could see bad things...

if it's a
method like this.

I thought that I
could see bad
things...





I can't figure it out really!

Then ...

Lover? Opposite of that?

I must not have the talent for it!

This is no good!



And he could talk to me about stuff.

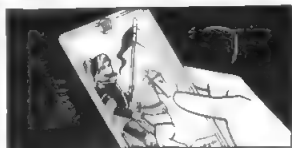
If I know more, I could help Michael more.



You are late, Michael.

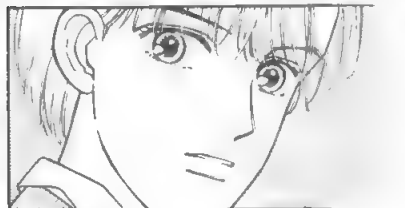
Ah...

I called my mother.



I am home.

Sfx: Close





Then
what
do you
think?

I don't
think
so.



Am I not
trust-
worthy?

What
is the
reason?
Can't
you
trust
me?



Riko is a
princess-

Ah



No!

I don't
know
about
the real
world.

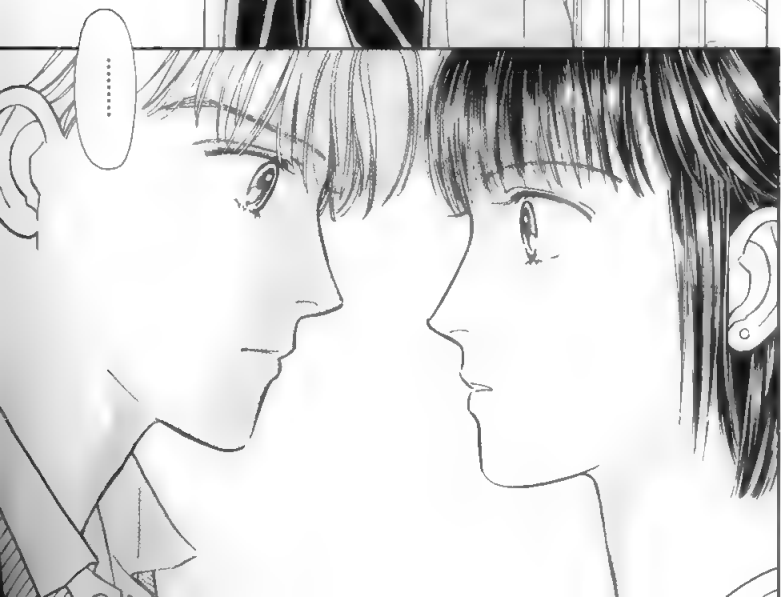
You
think.

Riko is a
princess
to me-

That
is not
it. I am
sorry.

Riko.

I am
sorry.







Why at a
time like
this?

What
is this?

I was his
sister
until
now...

Don't make
me into
a woman
suddenly-!

Ouch...

THE LOVERS



I had
my first
kiss.



Whistle



with
her fist
suddenly.

And
she
hit
me,

She hit me,
with a fist...

Take
out
number 7
and add
number
12.

Please
change
the
players.



No matter what, Simon will question him thoroughly joyfully.

This is dangerous ...

It is written in his face that something happened in his home.



It is already here. Simon's car.

Ah, there he is.



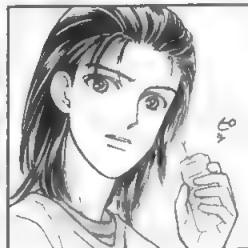
Is it over?

Sannomaru, grandfather! Get in now.

Huh?



?



Sfx: Beep



We found
someone
who seems
to be him.







It's
me.
Koyu.

I am
in front
of the
shop
now.

He must be
somewhere
inside.

I think
they
just
opened.



Is he
some kind of
traveling
treasure
appraiser?

!?



Why does
he come to
such
a place
once a
month?

That
is a
club.

There is
Latin
America
night.

He must
come
there
to work
as a
traveling
fortune
teller.



Is he
really
there?

Yes.



What?

What
do you
mean!



And he
became
famous.

He first
came as a
customer,
but he
did some
fortune-
telling.

But
some-
times he
doesn't
come,
so it will
be lucky
if you
meet
him.

No, he is
just a
cus-
tomer.



Is he
doing
work
now?



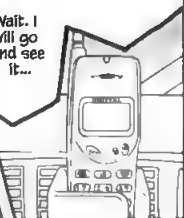
...
Hello
?

Did
he go
inside?



He will be
here today.
I heard that he
is here now.

Wait. I
will go
and see
it...





Someone who looks like him...

He is here.



Hey, Simon.

It's here.





Let's
go,
grand-
father.

Yes.

It
could
be an
arrest.

What
are
you
going
to do?



Chatter

There
are
many
people
with
long
hair.

There
are
only
foreign-
ers.

There
is a
lot
of cus-
tomers.



VALE MAS QUE
NO LO HAGAS







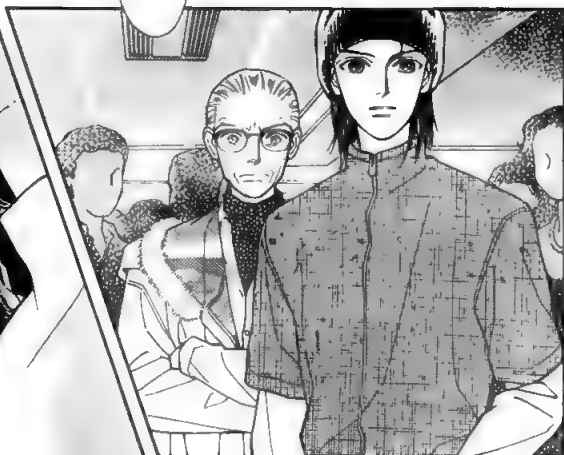
Why
?

I can't
see your
future.



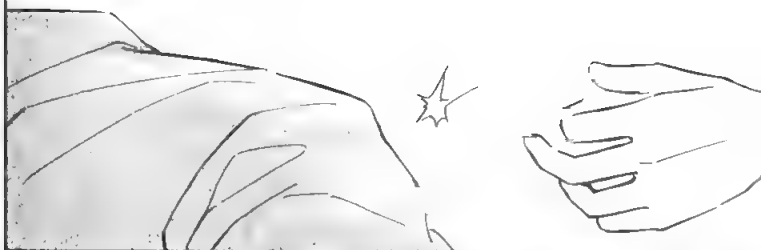
You
are
-?

I can't
see things
when I am
involved
in it.











FABIÁN

ESPERA
POR FAVOR

Where
did he
go?!

OUTLET
B

¡FABI!

Over
there.

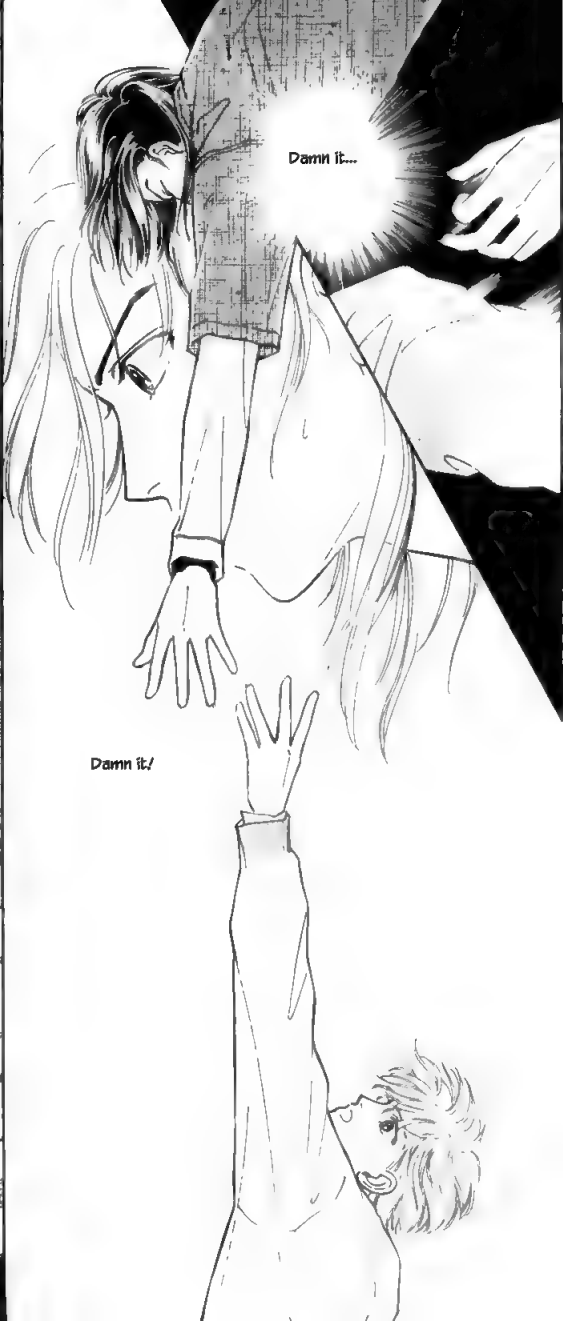
FABI



I will go
see the
right
one.

Which
way is
it?!





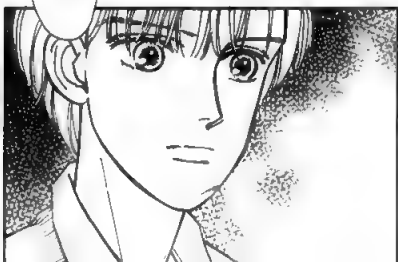
Damn it...

Damn it!



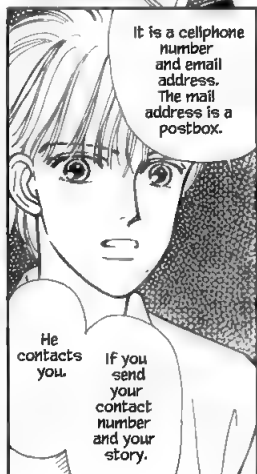
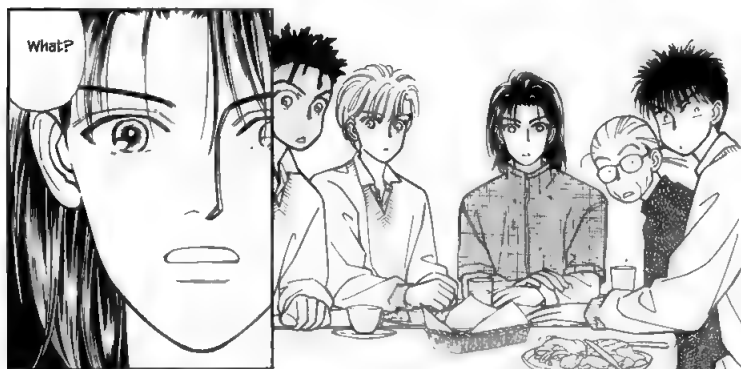
I only made him wary.

There will not be a chance like that again.











Koyu!

You did great.
Koyu.

That is amazing.



I will cheer for you!

You were serious about the band.

What did you think about what I said until now then?



Finally, he is connected.



Let's contact all of it.

And wait for him to approach us.

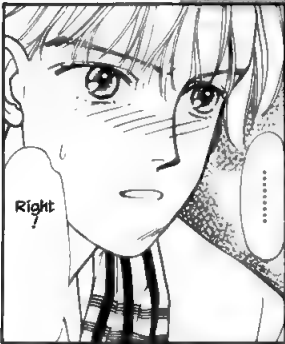


What? Riko?

Riko ...

Yeah ?

This is ... look ...





But even if she hit you, it doesn't mean that she hates you. Rest easy.

That is not good to do it suddenly.

Michael, you did it suddenly?

Noisy guy cheerleaders.



I didn't get hit.

Huh?

Me?



What about Simon?

Your first kiss!



No.

Something like that can't be stopped.



Did you not think... why at a time like this?





It is
strange.

I am
not
shocked
that
much.

I didn't
like
her so
much.


Maybe
I...



It's about
Riko.

But I
strongly
want to
see his
response
more...





Riko is like
a princess to me.




Dad
is late
these
days.



When I first
met her,
Riko had
a white
skin whiter
than any
other
Japanese
people.

And she
had a
straight
black hair.



So I felt that
a snow-white
could look
like her.



I said
something
embarrass-
ing.

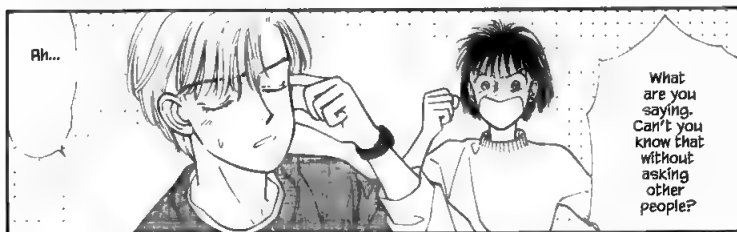
But I
really
thought
so.

I wanted
her to
be with
me, and
not get
involved
in my
troubles.





Ah...

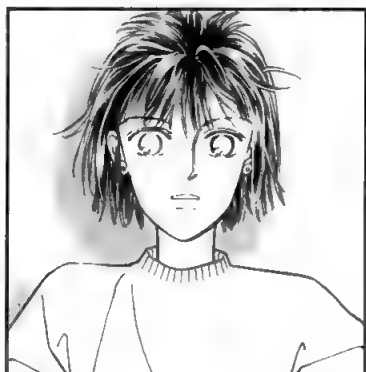


Sfx: Get up

Sfx: Close

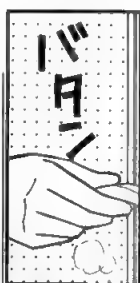






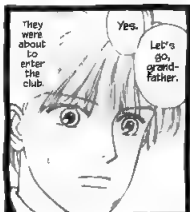
a weird thing again.

I did...

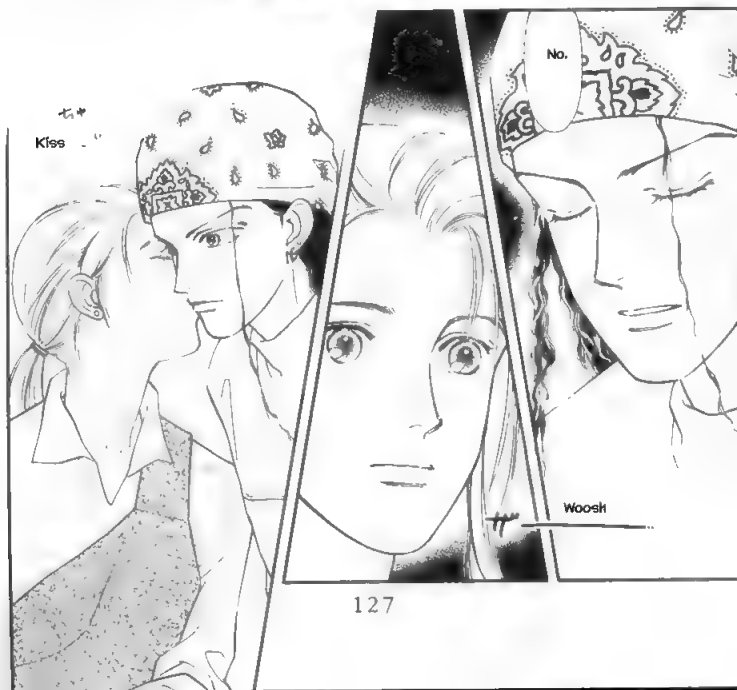
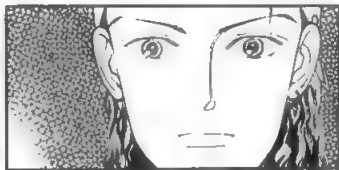


Sfx: Close











Smile

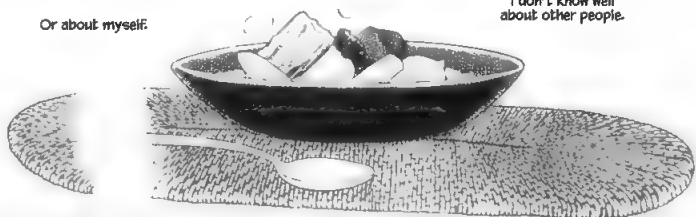
3,
2,
1



What
is it
suddenly
?

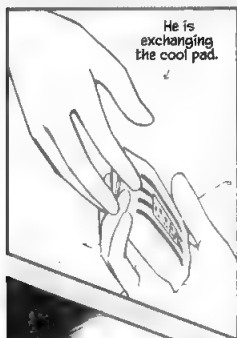
Or about myself.

I don't know well
about other people.



He is
exchanging
the cool pad.

I don't know
how
to express
what I feel.





From what
reason
since
when,



Was I
watching
him?



I am,

tired-

Open

はっ

Flomp

ふっ



Sigh

But
I want to
sleep
now...

Roll

If I don't
do laundry,
I have
nothing to
wear
tomorrow.

This
is no
good
...



Sfx: Woosh

Sfx: Get up



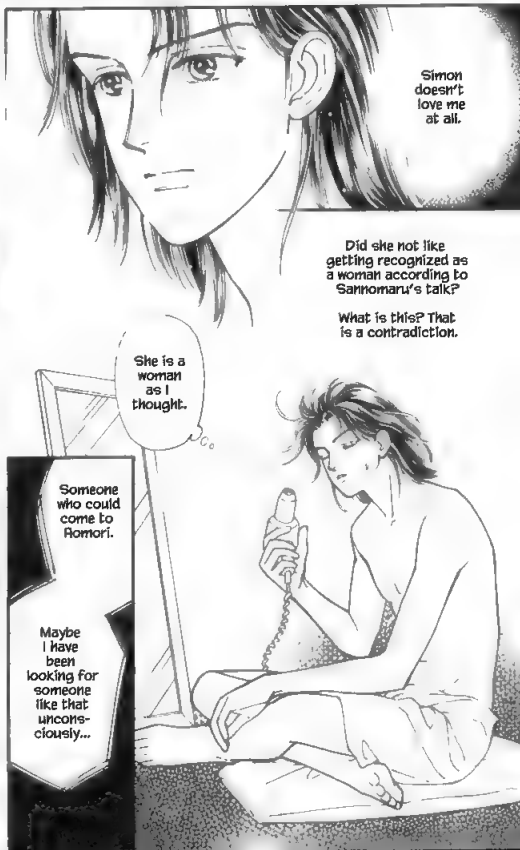
I must dry my hair.

But- I feel reassured when I am with her.

Her hair is so beautiful.



Hair...



Simon doesn't love me at all.

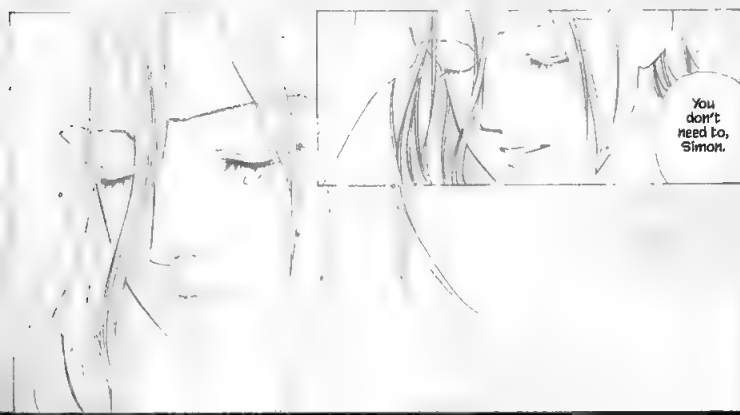
Did she not like getting recognized as a woman according to Sannomaru's talk?

What is this? That is a contradiction.

She is a woman as I thought.

Someone who could come to Romori.

Maybe I have been looking for someone like that unconsciously...



Simon has
mother complex?

Maybe.
I am attracted
to Riko
because...

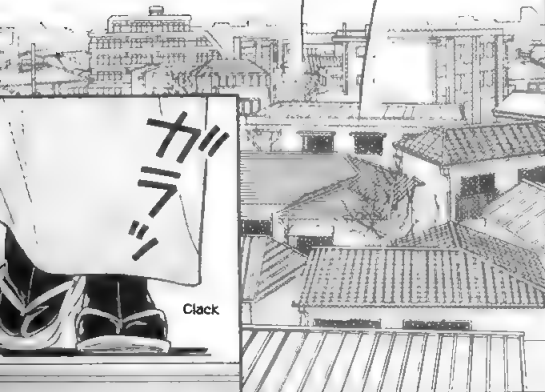
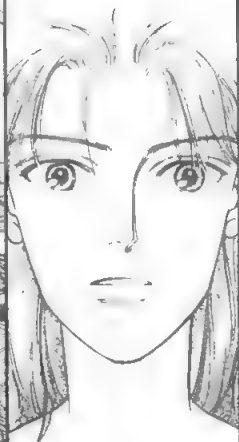
No-!

That time,
mother's hair.
It was beautiful-

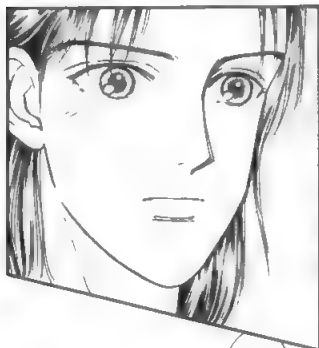
Am I...
really a mother
complex?!

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ラ
シ

Clack





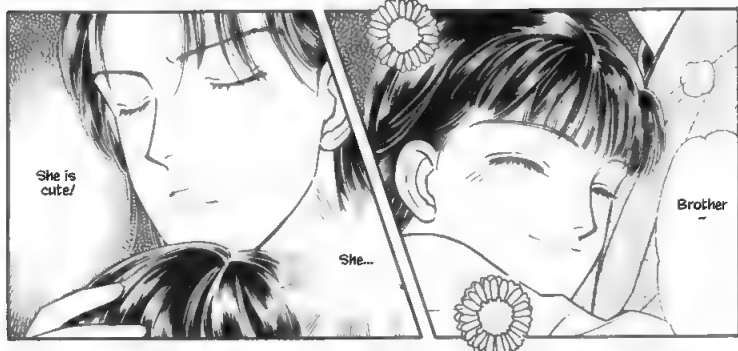
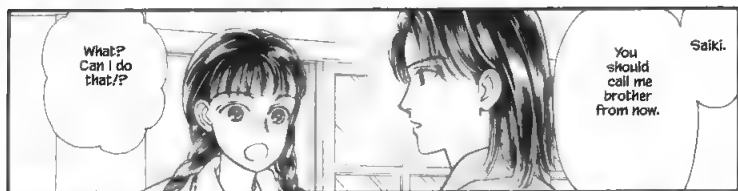


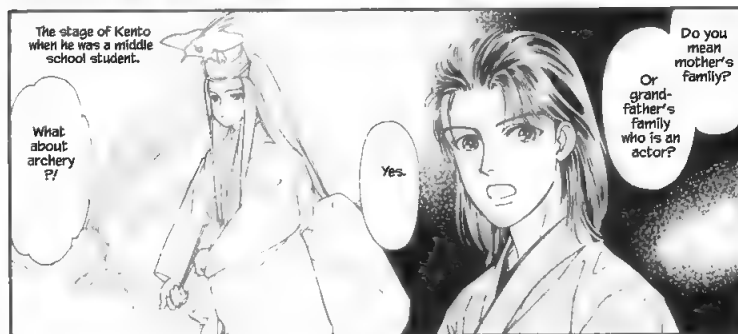
Mother.



Please
take
care
of it.







Rattle

Are those clothes mine?

if you said that you don't have clothes, would have borrowed you some.

I might become someone who doesn't like anybody.

No, he is always like that.

Did he change clothes?

Please take care of him.

Whistle

whistle



You didn't contact me.

I was worried.

Ah...

Hi?



That is... good.

But you didn't agree with each other about the man?

I said so to her.

'Because mom is mistaken thinking that he will make mom happy'.

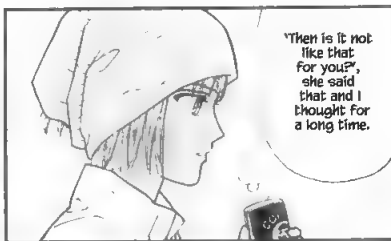
'Mom is marrying him even though mom doesn't like him'.



She is going to pay for rent until graduation.

I am going to live alone.

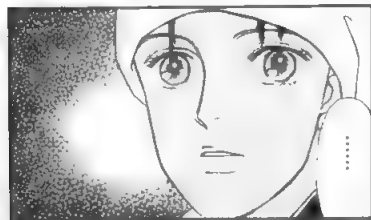
What did you do with mom?







Sfx: Ha





Nothing.

What
happened
with Riko
after
that?

It's okay,
You don't
have to hide
it from us.



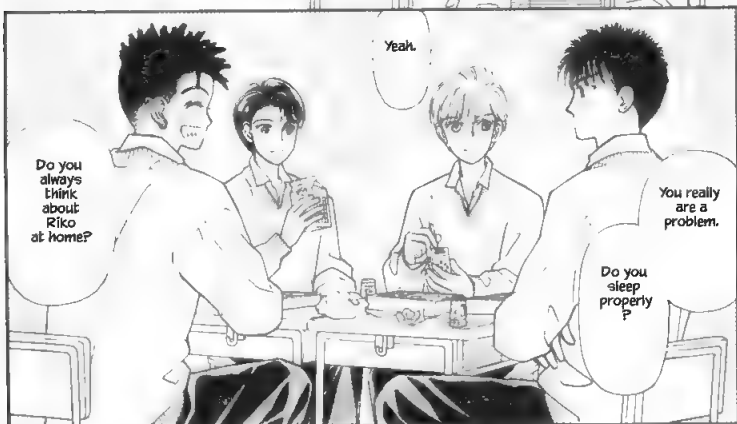
So?



Ah...

It is
not time
to do it.

Rather
than
that.





I don't.

Huh?



Yeah ...

Is it a process of evolution.

I think he looks sexier these days.

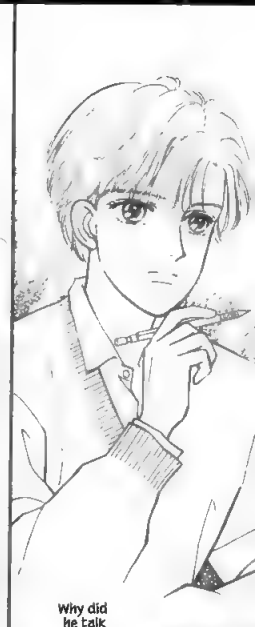


Show me everything about Michael.

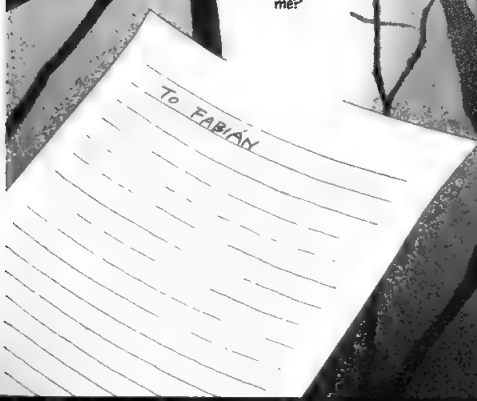




What
did he
see from
me?



Why did
he talk
to me?



TO FABIAN



I can't understand his sense.

He hasn't gone to pick up his clothes yet.

Today, you look nice~

You look like a writer!



Oh?



You did a lot of noisy hide and seek before.

You are relaxing too much.

Huh?



So what happened?

Did you contact Fabian?

No, probably not yet.



And he
canceled
his
postbox.

And I
checked the
postbox
on my way.

I was
worried
about
it.



That
bastard-!



You
should
hurry.



He could
change
his phone
number and
email
address.





バサ
Drop

Sfx: Ignore



Sanrio-
maru does
something
like that
too.

I am
safe.

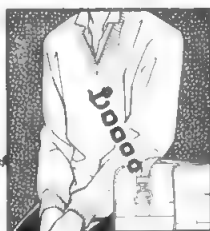
No
whistle.

Really!?

You
didn't
get
found
out?!

He can
surely
do it and
more.

Haha



Sfx: Ring



His post-box,
has
already
been
canceled,



He didn't
pause
when he
did that
...

Japanese
won't think about
toppling the table
and running away.

No, even when
they think about
it, they would
hesitate.



They cheat
very fast.

The people
who are
not
professional
are scary.



That bastard-!

I had to
remember what
Doumoto said
earlier.



Anyway, my mother is going out today evening.

So I am going to send an email then.

I told them that I am not coming today, but I have archery practice today.

If I go home too early, my mother is going to think of it as weird.

Get in.

Let's send the email quickly too.

No, look...

He is different from the Japanese too.

Do you have more drinks?

Ah, right.

If he leaves something which will make it difficult to find out his home address.

Probably.

But is it okay? You are acting slowly.

It doesn't matter ...

Won't he leave one thing the same?

If he changes everything, then he will have less work.

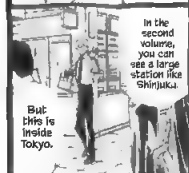


Where do you think is their high school?



Huh? Isn't it Shinjuku?

Isn't it Asabu?



But this is inside Tokyo.

The market festival where Riku and Michael went was number 10 district of Asabu and Junior's house is near the harbor too (Page 8 Volume 9).

If it's Asabu, Michael and Junior can go there by bicycle.



According to volume 8, Junior's house is 10 minutes away from Michael's house by a motorbike. But the train is different (Page 141).

According to volume 3, when you get a subway train, you don't have to change the train to go to Sanikowari's house (Page 15).

Then where is their high school?



The answer will be in the next volume!



Yeah?

But. I have a simple question.



He didn't go to school?

Can he read and write?

Mmm...

He sometimes picked up newspapers and read them.

It will be possible if it's Fabian.



In his group, people depended on him as a leader.

I think he is smart.



He is cold-hearted though.

Yeah, the kids followed him much.

What? Him?!

Sfx: Hit





So?

ugh!

But usually he won't try to kill you for it?



He is as dangerous as I thought.



Please listen to my words ~~until~~ the end.

Right?

Yes.

Aah...



What should I write ...?

It will be difficult to send the email.



A
sudden
kiss.



And
hug.



What is waiting
for next
time?

What does
he mean
'today'?



I will
be patient
with this
today.



She's not
laughing. >

Ha... we are
alone.

Dad is
away on a
business trip
on a time
like this
and mom
is out.



Wel-
come.

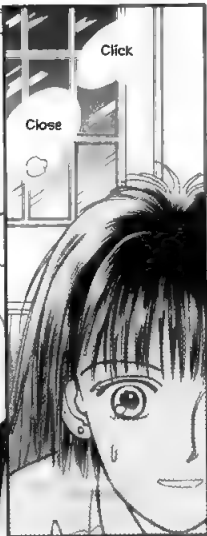
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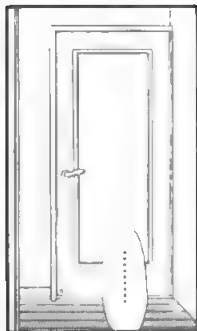
Close

You
were
home?

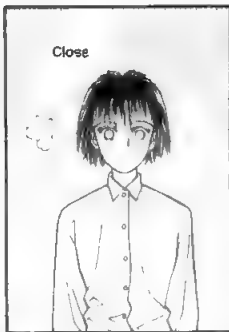
Should
I make
some-
thing?

Are
you
hungry?





Close



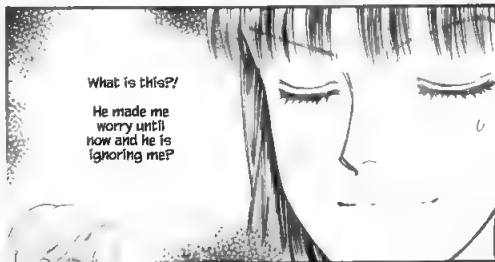
I don't need it.

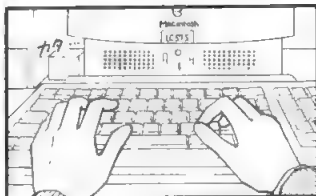
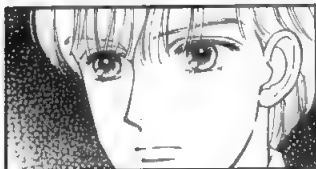
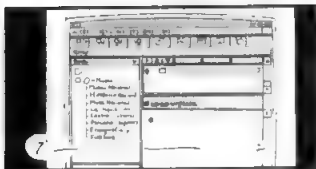
I am going to use the computer for a moment.

Michael.
I don't know anything anymore!

What is this?!

He made me worry until now and he is ignoring me?

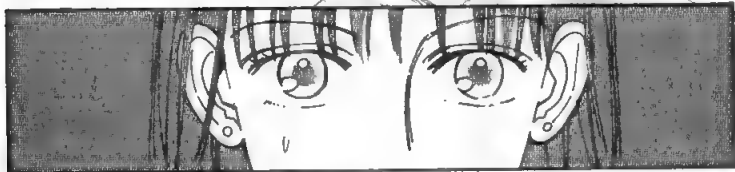
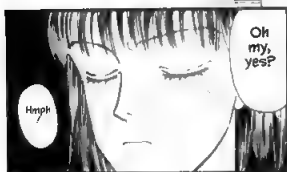


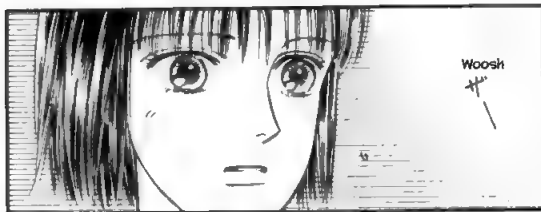


Sfx: Tap, Bang



No.
I didn't
say that.
Hit





Woosh



You like asparagus, Riko?

And what do you want me to put in?

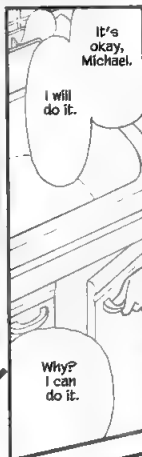


I prepared the ingredients.

Rihocator and shrimp salad.

His favorite food.

What!



It's okay, Michael.

I will do it.

Why? I can do it.



Thank you so much! Did you cook it for me?!

No.

I wanted to eat it too.





I liked it, so I
keep watching
him to learn
and helped him.



And it
could
be
scary.

But it is
simply
different
from
being
cool.

It
sounds
weird
when I
express
it like
that?



I can't
win
against
him.



I like
the
feeling.

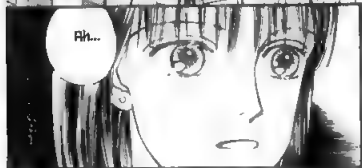
In a
weird
way.



Yeah.

That looks nice, it looks simple and yummy.

Oh- this is nice as a wine snack.



Ah...



Michael's stir fry was yummy too.

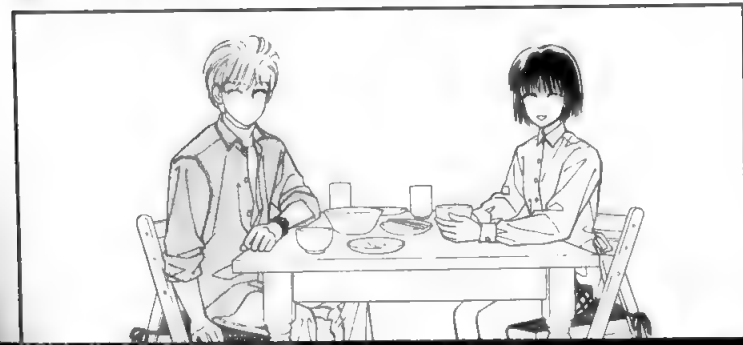
It was not over-cooked or under-cooked and great.

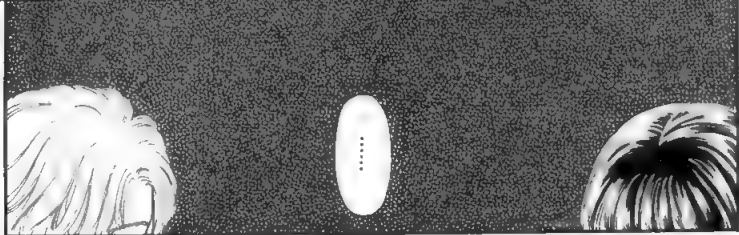
Aren't you praising me too much?

Yes P

What about the judgement?

Boom boom







She is not kissing me-



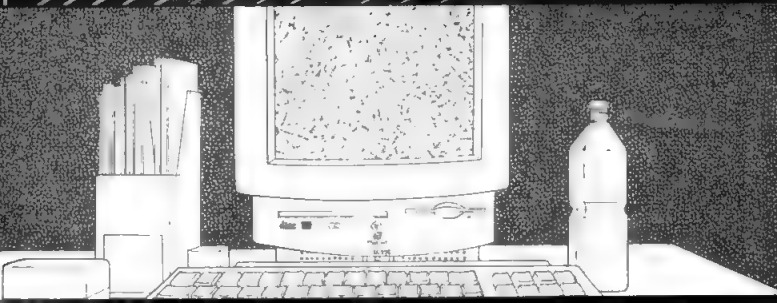
Will
the,

reply
come
...?



Sigh

I am
stupid.





I just asked
some
questions
which was
not too
much trouble.

What
about
the
content
?



Ah- I
think
I know.

When
the rat is
driven into
a corner, it
bites the cat.

I don't
want to
corner him
too much.



That
is it
too.

And his
business
shouldn't
have
trouble.



Email
?

I
sent
it.



Really~
I don't
know!

I can't
express it
well, but
I am
angry!



Are you
thinking
about
something
like
that?!

Are
you
such a
nice
guy?!

Yeah...



So.

You
are...



What
do
you
mean
?



Why
is he
angry
...?



I think Doumoto also can't express it easily with words.

ugh ... I can't understand.



I realize something which I didn't think about yesterday.

How I feel.

And my mind-set.



After the thing happened with Sannomaru, my every day has changed.

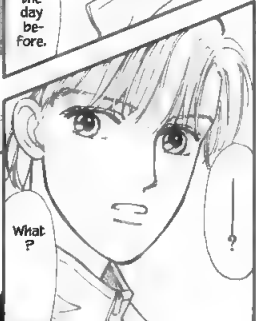
I am.

From the day before.

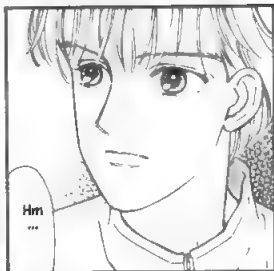


I don't know inside his heart though.

Doumoto could be the same as me.



What ?





But you are hesitating.

I thought that Sannomaru's attitude became natural these days.



think about that.

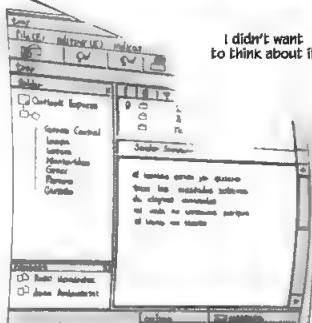


I didn't ...

I didn't think about it.

No...

I didn't want to think about it.







Huh?

The bed which could
even bounce coins.
->

Sfx: Haha

The bed was
tidied up
perfectly and
I wanted to
show you...

What you
wanted
from me.

Why was
it me?

I keep
thinking
about it.

Do
what-
ever
you
want.

I
know.

I like
making it
messy.

Calm

Fabian.

What I did
to you,
I can only
apologize.

You
are
like a
puppy.

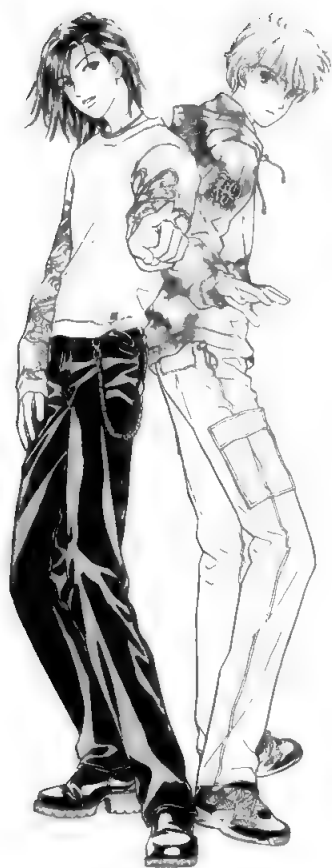
What? I
don't
know
that
word.



I want
to know
the
truth.

What you
felt and
did until
that day...

I will wait
for your
reply.



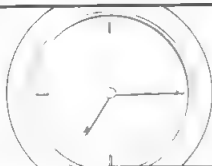
Who
was it?

El.

I think I saw his face,
but I can't remember.

I had
that
dream
again.

Michael

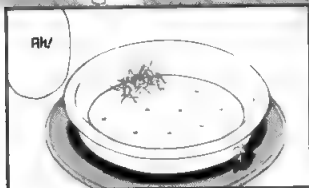


ガッ

はっ

Get up







The bite
mark.
->



Do
you
want
to
eat
it?



Yes?

Munch

I
don't
need
it.



See
you!

You
siblings
have a
weird
vibe.

カッパ
Rattle



Assistant's
work (On the site)

Assistant
sometimes draws the
rooms of a character,
in Fabian's case...

This is a
simple and
minimalistic
interior
and there is no
partition on
this one room.

Yes.

A little time later.

Full of
desire.

If it's
hard,
someone
else can
do it.

I can
do it!

A little while later.

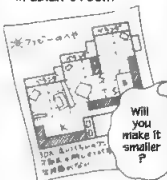
Please
look at
this.

Yeah.

Ah!

A big house.

#Fabian's room



Will
you
make it
smaller
?

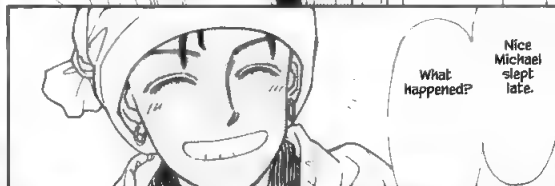
She must be dreaming
of living in a house like this...



Strange
vibe?

Rattle
ゴト
ゴト
ゴト

Don't change
words and
ignore them.



What
happened?

Nice
Michael
slept
late.



Were
you
such a
nice
guy?



Don't
say, Nice
Michael!

Huh?



Why?

Change
it to
Michael
who
gets up
early.



I get angry
when I
see nice
people.

Ha...

I am
not
nice.

Hello.

Yes?



I
decided
not to
get
angry.

Why?



Why
are you
not
angry?



Can't you
understand
Doumoto?

He is a bad
guy, but
you are caring
for him.



Pause

I will
end up
doing
the
same
thing.



I will
stop
you!

So-



Sfx: Munch



You are
just
putting
the lid
on bad-
smelling
trash.

And
nothing will
be solved
by that.

Compost.
The container which has
kitchen biological waste, so
microorganisms can eat it
and make it into a fertilizer.



Dou-
moto,
that is
my
milk.

Ah?
Yes?



Take
a sip
of
mine.

Here.

Yeah.



Do you
want me
to in-
troduce
you to
a nice
micro-
organism?

I think
compost
is good
for the earth
environment.

Yes, right.
Even if you
block your
nose, it doesn't
mean that the
trash will
disappear.

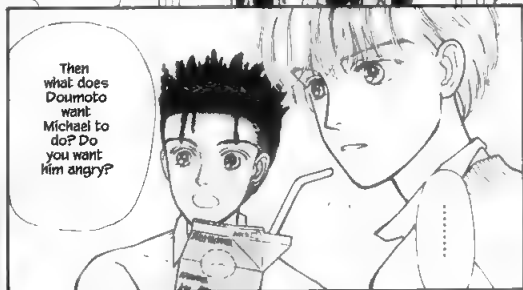


That is
not
what we
are
talking
about
now—

You
people
love the
earth!

If we make
him too angry,
Sannomaru
will have trouble.

Then
what does
Doumoto
want
Michael to
do? Do
you want
him angry?

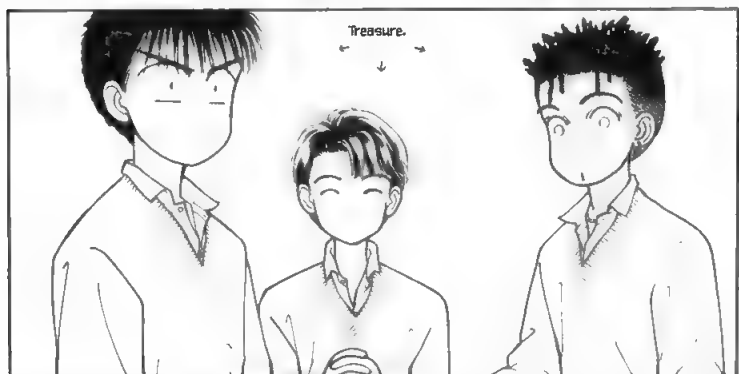


Oh,
yes?

I don't
know
that and
it is
annoying!





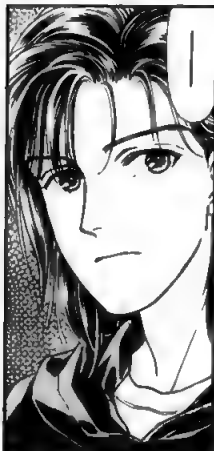




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Beep





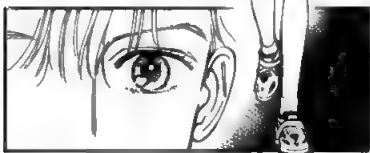




Now is important.









After when I got locked up.

I heard that 'People who have failed before are kind'.

You are the kind one.



That is good.

Ho oh-
do you
feel like
that
now?

Yeah.



I couldn't
understand
until now.

I am sorry.





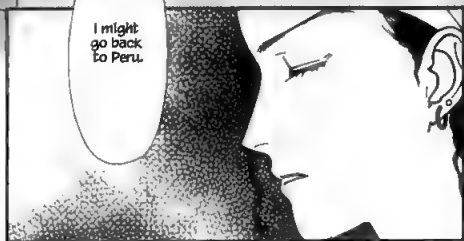
To be alone
like that.

I don't
want it.

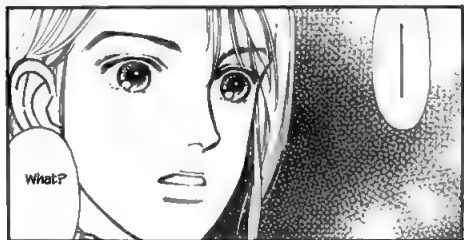
Any more.

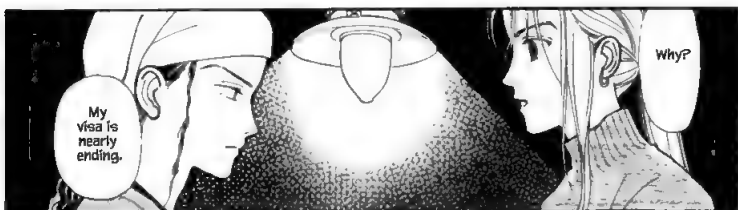
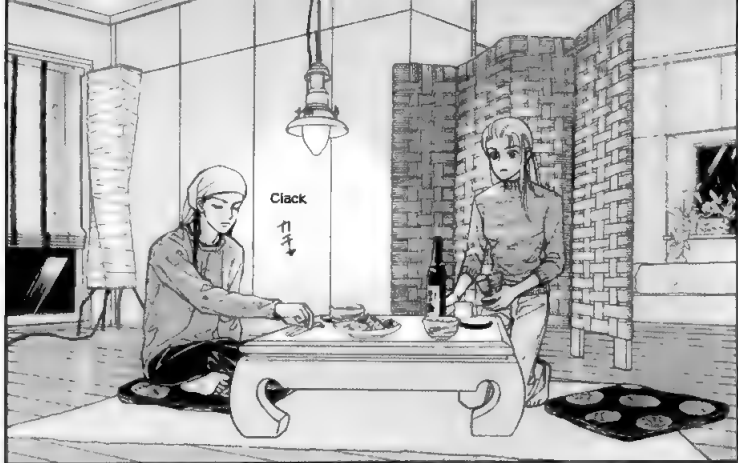


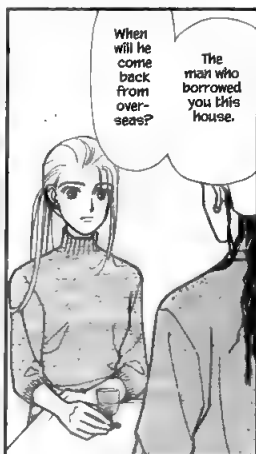
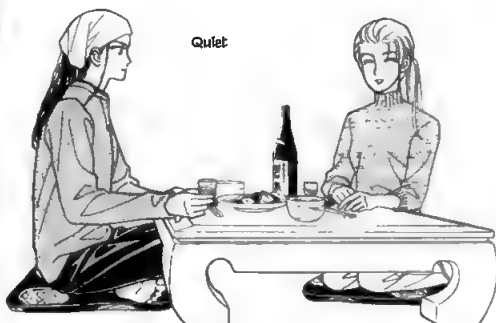
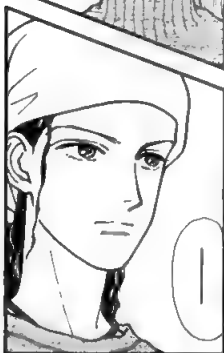
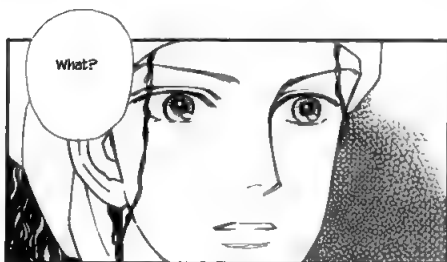
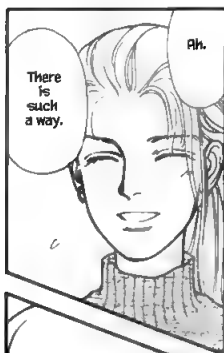
I might
go back
to Peru.

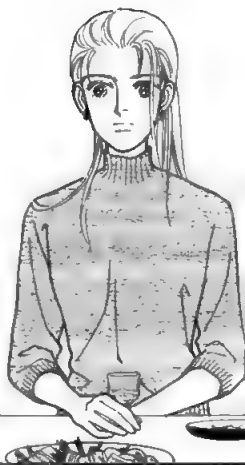


What?











Limp

So smile.

Look at this, it's Pero's belly.



Yes.

You named him like that.

Pero means, a dog in Spanish.



Haha



What do you think garlic is in Spanish.



Aho.

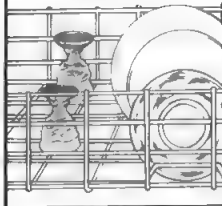
*Aho means idiot in Japanese.



Sfx: Clean

きん

Fabian washed the dishes.



Idiot.

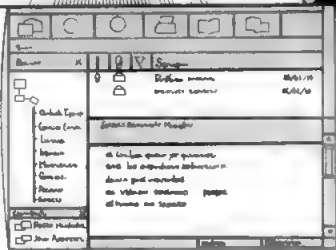
I was going to cry more, but I smiled!

It's good!

Satisfied

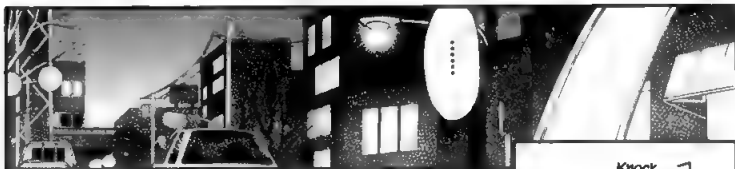
Ahh~!

b



Sfx: Zzzzzzz







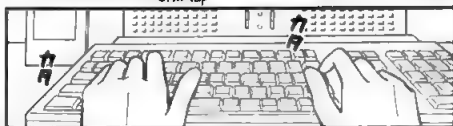




There is
a reply!



Sfx: Tap



But- it's not
Fabian!



Michael I didn't have
the time to talk to you
before I left. I just arrived in
Peru. I am at a hotel in Lima.



What
?

He is
away on
a
business
trip now.


It's
from
father.



Ah...

I am going to investigate Fabian from now.





The reason why I came to Peru is to investigate Fabian. If he is involved in a gang, we should make the police work on it.

If he is not in a gang, and can't be investigated, we can deport him when his visa runs out. This will be difficult to investigate but...

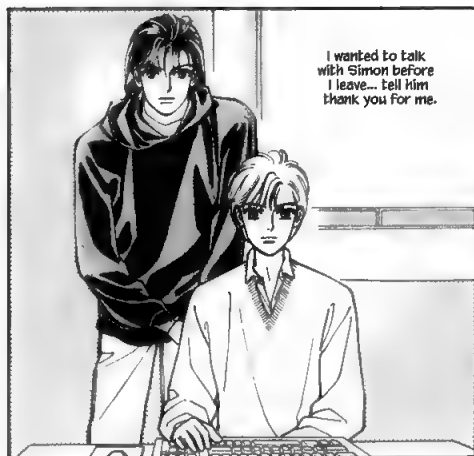
About 12 years.

He was in Indio village too.

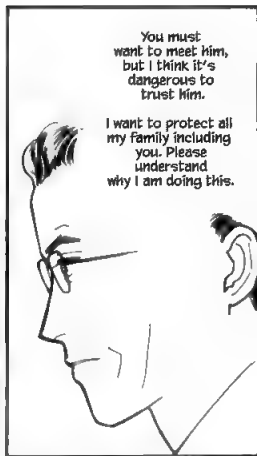
He lived there more than me.

Your father.

How many years did he live in Peru?



I wanted to talk
with Simon before
I leave... tell him
thank you for me.



You must
want to meet him,
but I think it's
dangerous to
trust him.

I want to protect all
my family including
you. Please
understand
why I am doing this.



But they
don't know
that I fired
the gun.

I
explained
some
things.

Both
of them
know
nothing
about
this?



But
Riko and
mother will
find out.

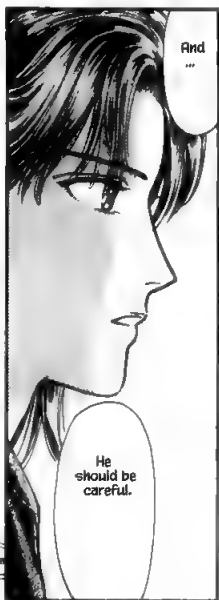
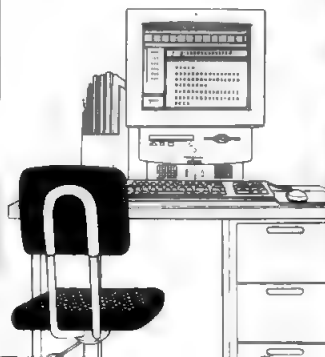


Police
...

Shouldn't
you tell
them?

He is
alive.

He thinks what
you did
a long time ago
won't matter.



Including
you.

I want to
protect
all my
family.



Clack

Ah,
thank
you.

I sewed up
the hole in
your pants,
Michael.

Good!
It's
finished.



Sfx: Splash



Sfx: Beep





Actually, while I was drawing chapters in this volume, I had a hard time with rashes and my right-hand finger paralyzing. So, there are drawings that look like it was drawn with vivid sometimes, but please forgive me. I want to get some vacation and heal my finger completely. When one starts to focus on drawing, does time feel slow? I feel like time has almost stopped. I drew so much, and it has only been 15 minutes? I feel like that. I drew like crazy and there's too much burden on my finger, so I should rest a little. I will come back as healthy. See you again!



Yes.

He thought that I would stop him and he left silently.

Yes but...

Sfx: Woosh

Is it dangerous? But he hasn't done anything?

Yeah, I am worried about him somehow.



Ah, hey.

Take

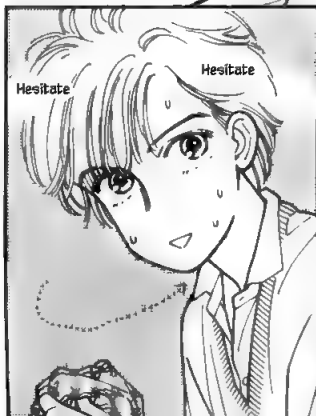
Lend me your handkerchief.



I have a handkerchief here too?

Huh?

Ah!







Flinch

And coach.

Ah, Simon.

I only saw big underwear which my mom and grandmother wore!

Since I was born and until now.

Sometimes I can see female stuff.



Step

Who cares

Step

Never!

No!

Ain't I not pitiful? Show me.

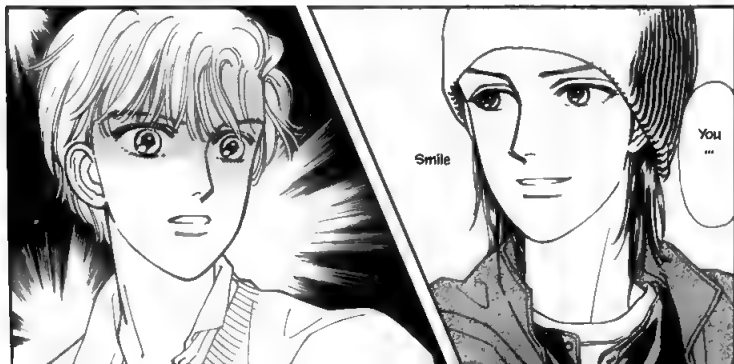


Is it Riko's?

Ah look ...

Eh eck?!

It's a panty.



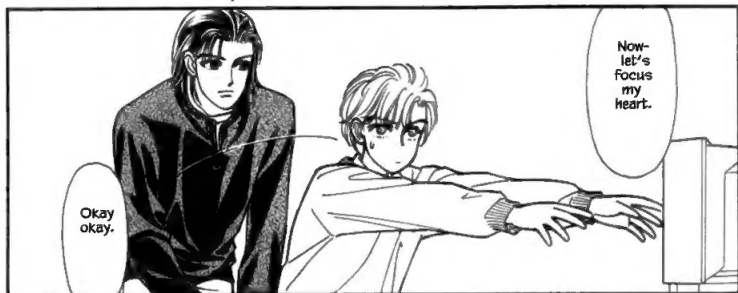
Smile

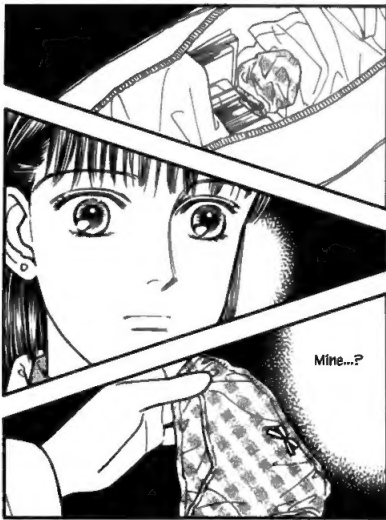
You ...





Sfx: Sit down





Mine...?



Today
Michael's
laundry...

There
is no
archery
uniform
so a
t-shirt
and
sports
pants...



is in
Michael's
bag?



Huh?!

Why my
underwear...?

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